

School workers seek mediation for contract

By VAUGHN PROCTOR
Staff writer

Negotiators for the California School Employees Association and Lompoc Unified School District have bogged down over the agency shop issue and the classified workers have asked the state to mediate the dispute.

The break came at a last ditch negotiation session Monday between a CSEA salary committee and a school board team headed by Assistant Supt. Alice Milligan.

In a statement following a general membership meeting last night, and is-

Planners take many actions

Lompoc Planning Commission, Monday took the following actions:

— Approved changes to the comprehensive zoning ordinance pertaining to definitions, appeals, procedures and purposes for the open space zone. A major provision of the appeals procedure would, for the first time, grant top officials of the city the right to appeal decisions of the Architectural Review Committee on behalf of the public interest. City Attorney Alan Davidson told the commission the new procedure would merely give city officials the rights of appeal now enjoyed by the general public.

— The action carries with it the following resolution on open space: "This zone is designed and intended to provide open space for the preservation of natural resources, managed production of resources, open space for outdoor recreation and private open space uses, for the protection of public health and safety, to preserve natural scenic areas for future populations, and to systematically manage the growth and directions of urban development."

— Postponed action on the request of Ed Hauenstein for subdivision on land between Cypress and Hickory Avenues at Seventh Street, to give the applicant time to prepare a new map of the area.

— Gave its blessing to the proposed acquisition of 4.5 acres of county land adjacent to Lompoc High School, for a new city park. The commission found that the action was in conformity with the general plan.

— Set a public hearing on Jan. 10 to consider a newly constituted handbook for guidance of the architectural review committee, and for modifications to the zoning ordinance to facilitate adoption. The hearing would also be for consideration of landscape maintenance agreement procedures.

— Upheld the Architectural Review Committee denial of an appeal by Time Oil Co., for relief from sign conditions imposed by the committee. The company has sought a pole sign, possibly as high as 25 feet and containing an area of six feet by 16 feet. A spokesperson for the company argued unsuccessfully that the pole sign was crucial to attracting enough business to make the curate, volume sale of gas financially successful. Commissioner John Peto, who represents the commission on the architectural committee, told his colleagues that the committee had asked in vain for some company-designed alternatives to the pole sign concept. Commissioner Jean Jacoby noted the site at Chestnut Avenue and H Street was only three blocks from the old town center and that she'd hate to see the city go backwards in its efforts to improve its municipal core. Most of the commissioners described a ground-mounted, low level sign as more appropriate for the development.

Palestinian leaders wind up summit meeting today

DAMASCUS, Syria (UPI) — Palestinian leaders are winding up a round of talks that could lead to a historic shift in favor of a negotiated settlement to the Middle East conflict.

The 42-member Central Council of the Palestine Liberation Organization — debating the future of the Palestinian movement after a stinging defeat in the Lebanese civil war — was scheduled to end its three-day meeting today.

Drug enforcement chief gunned down by informer

BOGOTA, Colombia (UPI) — A would-be narcotics informer shot and killed the local chief of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration then turned his gun on himself and committed suicide Monday, U.S. spokesmen said today.

The gunman apparently went berserk during a visit to the DEA's offices, the agency said. He shot the American narcotics agent, Octavio Gonzalez, three times and sprayed bullets wildly around the offices during a visit in which he had apparently tried to sell information about cocaine traffic in Colombia.

A spokesman said the assailant, Thomas Charles Cole, shot himself once in the head as Marine guards stormed the DEA's 19th-floor offices two blocks from the U.S. Embassy. Cole had a .38-caliber revolver and carried two boxes of hollow-point am-

sued today, the workers' organization said: "Chapter 257 of the California School Employees Association today declared that negotiations with the Lompoc Unified School District had reached an impasse. The chapter will request the EERB, (Education Employee Relations Board) to send a mediator to mediate the areas of disagreement."

CSEA listed the areas of disagreement as: "salary increases, district contributions to the health and welfare and agency shop."

A spokesperson for CSEA said today that the classified workers had not received a salary increase since October 1975.

In statements to The Record today, Milligan confirmed that negotiations had broken down, but said agreement could have been reached if it had not been for the agency shop issue. She released figures showing the opposing final salary and fringe benefit positions of the two sides. The district has offered a total increase, salary and health and welfare, of 11.10 per cent over the life of a two-year contract. That would be 6.75 per cent the first year and 4.35 per cent the second. CSEA's final demand was 15.77 per cent over two years. That would be 9.77 per cent the first year and six per cent the second.

Both sides agreed on the figures. Both sides, however, do not agree on provisions for the agency shop issue or as it's more formally known, "Organizational security."

Milligan released the following explanation: "The district proposes that once a unit member has agreed to and has joined the association, membership must be retained for the duration of the agreement, but not as a condition of employment. During the first two weeks of this agreement, unit employees may resign their membership."

"CSEA proposes that all unit members must pay dues or an equivalent amount to the association as a condition of employment. This means that the district would be forced to dismiss any employees who refused to pay the association."

An assessment on the wording of the two positions as provided by Milligan was not immediately available from CSEA sources.

Impasse procedures could take as long as 80 days before resolution of all the issues. Milligan released the following timetable for the procedures under the state's EERB: EERB could take a maximum of five days after they determine that an impasse exists to name a mediator; another 15 days could elapse before the mediator gets on the scene, works with the two parties and announces failure to settle the dispute; another five days by the time one party declares a fact-finding procedure required and EERB selects a panel chairperson; another 10 days for the panel to meet; another 30 days for the panel to announce its findings and make recommendations; and another 10 days before all the findings and the recommendations are made public.

The two sides began negotiations prior to the beginning of the present fiscal year on July 1. Much of the time during the more than six months of negotiations has been spent on issues other than salaries and health and welfare benefits. The negotiations are the first since the state enacted the first collective bargaining law for education employees. The law, the Rodda Act, succeeded the Winton Act that governed school board-employee relations for a decade.

Turstees of Lompoc Unified School District declared the CSEA chapter the exclusive representative for all classified employees on a finding that about 85 per cent of the district's 300 non-teaching employees were members of the organization.

Guerrilla sources said momentum has grown among the moderates within the Palestinian movement in favor of a West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinian state. Along with this, pressure appeared to be mounting on the guerrillas to accept a single Arab delegation to possible Geneva Middle East peace talks, rather than insisting on a separate Palestinian group, which would force Israeli recognition of such a delegation.

The federal drug agency sent a special investigative team from Washington, and a Colombian spokesman said today the secret police agency F2 also was studying the case. The State Department also was reported to be checking Cole's background.

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Bendix chief, congressman named to Carter's cabinet



MRS. THELMA ZIMMERMAN, 225 South F St., is happy today, but last week she was about to unhappily leave Lompoc, her home for 43 years. For awhile she thought she could no longer keep her 16 cats in the city limits.

Officials save city's cat haven

By STAN TULLEDO
Staff writer

One of the few places of refuge for homeless cats in Lompoc was saved this week when the county Animal Control Shelter approved Mrs. Thelma Zimmerman's application for a cattery license.

If the application had been denied, Lompoc would have lost a truly unselfish citizen.

For the past 10 years, Mrs. Zimmerman, 64, has taken over 200 stray cats into her home at 225 South F St. and paid out of her own pocketbook to have each one of them inoculated and neutered.

The abandoned felines — sometimes battered, sometimes not old enough to sip milk from a bowl — have either wandered into her yard or people have left them inside her porch door without her knowledge.

How the cats find their way to her home is a puzzle to Mrs. Zimmerman and why people started dropping their unwanted animals at her address is another mystery — she has never advertised her sympathies for cats, she reports.

"I don't know whether I have

something special that animals like or what," she said this week. "I think God just guides them to me."

If a home cannot be found for a new stray, the cat is adopted by Mrs. Zimmerman.

Today she has 16 cats living in two big pens in her backyard.

Mrs. Zimmerman and her husband live on his small pension and her small Social Security check. The cats live on the money she earns cleaning houses five days a week.

"Of course, I get some of the money from the job, but if I didn't work I couldn't support all these cats," Mrs. Zimmerman remarked.

She spends about \$100 a month on cat food alone.

Mrs. Zimmerman sacrifices her time and money for cats because she believes "God wants us to take care of the animals on Earth."

Her efforts to feed and house stray cats were recently threatened, however. For the first time someone reported Mrs. Zimmerman and her large furry population to the Animal Control Shelter.

When she contacted The Record last

week, Mrs. Zimmerman wrote that she could no longer keep her cats because the law states only three cats can live on a person's property.

"It seems ironic to have a 'Be Kind to Animals Week' and then turn around and expect someone who has cared and loved these animals everyday of the year to destroy them," she wrote.

Rather than destroying her pets, Mrs. Zimmerman was planning to move them and herself out of Lompoc — her home for 43 years — to live with her sister in the country near Atascadero.

But this week her prayers were answered — she can keep the cats.

Someone from city hall called to say that according to the zoning ordinance a resident can have more than four cats if a cattery license is obtained from the county. Three days ago, the Animal Control Shelter inspected how and where the cats live on Mrs. Zimmerman's premises and approved an application.

"I just said I was putting it in God's hands. I just prayed and prayed and I knew something was going to happen," beamed Mrs. Zimmerman. "I have that much faith in prayer."

Gilmore sure of death; ends fast

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) — Gary Gilmore, convicted that a U.S. Supreme Court ruling has assured his speedy execution, gave up legal efforts today to avoid the death penalty and ended his 25-day hunger strike.

The condemned man's lawyers filed a motion in Utah Fourth District Court at Provo asking for dismissal of a petition which sought to have the death sentence tossed out on grounds it wasn't imposed within a 60-day time limit.

"The plaintiff no longer desires to pursue the remedies set forth in the writ," said the dismissal motion filed by attorneys Ronald Stanger and Robert Moody following a late night meeting with Gilmore at Utah State Prison.

After the two-hour strategy session, Gilmore ended his long hunger strike by munching on a cheese and baloney sandwich in his prison cell. He ate a second sandwich during the night, then breakfasted on french toast, cooked cereal, milk and tomato juice.

The condemned man decided to withdraw the request for a writ of habeas corpus and to end the hunger strike after the nation's highest court decided by a 5-4 margin to lift a stay of his execution issued Dec. 3.

Guards at Utah State Prison said he called for food late Monday night.

It was 11:30 p.m., well past the supper hour, but Gilmore was given the sandwich and an orange in his isolated cell in the hospital infirmary.

"He wanted more, but we wouldn't give it to him — we didn't feel he was

ready for it," a spokesman said. "He got hungry again about 1 a.m. and we gave him some more oranges and milk."

Gilmore had begun his fast, taking only liquids, to protest the refusal of authorities to allow him to contact his girlfriend who unsuccessfully tried to commit suicide in her Provo apartment at the same hour Gilmore took pills in an effort to end his own life.

Sources said the condemned killer, during a two-hour strategy session with his lawyers Monday night, told them to withdraw a petition for a writ of habeas corpus seeking to have his death penalty set aside.

Gilmore last week asked Utah's Fourth District Court for the writ because the state failed to execute him within 60 days of imposition of the death sentence, as required by state law.

When the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 Monday that Gilmore had "knowingly and intelligently" waived his right to appeal and should be allowed to die, the petition for writ became the only legal impediment to setting a new execution date.

Judge J. Robert Bullock of the Utah Fourth District Court must now set another date — the third — for Gilmore's appearance before the firing squad. The Utah County Attorney's Office today prepared legal papers asking the judge to schedule a hearing to set the execution date.

The killer's lawyers, under a gag order in the case, would not discuss their next move, but attorney Robert Moody said,

ATLANTA (UPI) — President-elect Jimmy Carter today announced his selection of Bendix Corp. President W. Michael Blumenthal as treasury secretary and Rep. Brock Adams, D-Wash., as transportation secretary. He disclosed his second and third Cabinet selections at an early-afternoon news conference.

On Thursday, Carter is expected to name two more Cabinet members — probably a woman and a nuclear physicist to head the departments of commerce and defense.

"Today, I'm very proud to announce two men who have my complete confidence," said Carter. "They have intense and complete knowledge of the areas for which they will be responsible."

Carter confirmed earlier reports today that he had picked Blumenthal and Adams.

Before his press conference, he told big city mayors here he had decided on the veteran Washington State congressman to watch over the nation's growing transportation problems. And he telephoned Sen. Carl Curtis, R-Neb., in Washington to announce Blumenthal's nomination.

Blumenthal, 50, is a former Kennedy administration international trade negotiator. He is a former Princeton professor, a refugee from Nazism and speaks with a slight German accent. In the past, he has served as an off-the-record diplomatic envoy for the United States.

Adams, 49, was elected in November to his seventh consecutive term in the House from Seattle, where he spent most of his life after moving across country from his native Atlanta.

Adams is chairman of the House Budget Committee and has expertise in transportation matters as a member of the House Commerce Subcommittee on Transportation.

Carter has already named Cyrus Vance as secretary of state and is reported to be ready to name California physicist Harold Brown as defense secretary and Mrs. Jane Cahill Pfeiffer to be the first female commerce secretary.

All of the appointments must be approved by the Senate.

Blumenthal would replace Secretary of the Treasury William Simon and Adams would succeed William Coleman in the government's top transportation job.

Former Labor Secretary John Dunlop, reportedly high on Carter's list as a possible appointee to take the job once again, met with the president-elect today.

Carter Press Secretary Jody Powell said Carter planned another news conference in Plains, Ga., Thursday to name two more Cabinet appointees.

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(In Washington, a spokesman in Curtis' office said at midmorning that "the senator got a call this morning from President-elect Carter informing him about the Blumenthal appointment.")

Mrs. Pfeiffer's selection would be in keeping with Carter's promise to name women and members of other minority groups to high posts in his administration.

"We will appear in court today at his direction."

Moody said Gilmore "feels good about the decision" of the justices, "was glad that they had the courage to get on and over with it, and looks forward to his next moves" — apparently withdrawing the petition for freedom.

Moody said he and Ron Stanger, Gilmore's other attorney, had discussed with the condemned man the possibility that opponents of capital punishment would file new court actions aimed at halting the execution.

Several were already in the planning stages — both by the lawyers who filed the unsuccessful appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and by attorneys for other convicts on Utah's Death Row.

"He wants, in his words, for all of these do-gooders to butt out," Moody said.

Stanger described Gilmore as "very somber, very reflective" after the Supreme Court lifted its temporary stay of his execution and cleared the way for the 36-year-old killer to become the first convict executed in the United States since 1967.

Glimpses

Man, wife picking Christmas tree at Viera tree farm early this morning and then changing minds because they had decided to take all day to find a tree.

Joe Gallino visiting from Missouri.

Firemen ordered to hike working hours

By DICK PRAUL
County firemen were directed Monday to boost their duty week from 56 to 63 hours effective Feb. 7 on an order by the Board of Supervisors.

The unanimous vote by the board climaxed deadlocked contract talks between county administration and the AFL-CIO Firefighters Union, and resulted in announcement by Union President Michael Bennett, a firefighter himself, that the union will seek a court order to nullify the board's edict.

County staff estimated the increase in the work week could save the county as much as \$300,000 a year while keeping fire protection at the current level.

Bennett said the boost in hours, even considering the three per cent pay boost which the board agreed to, would represent a 9.5 per cent reduction in firemen's pay. He said a restraining order will be sought "immediately."

The board took its action on a motion by Supervisor Robert E. Kallman after Board chairman Frank J. Frost "unilaterally" tossed what was characterized by the administrative office as

a "new offer" on the table. Bennett claimed the 63-hour offer — seen as a county compromise after earlier seeking to impose a 66-hour work week — was not a new offer. But Administrative Officer Raymond Johnson declared it was a new offer on the basis of including the three per cent salary boost awarded in other county pacts.

All other employee organizations had signed new collective bargaining pacts with management, but the firemen's union still is without a new contract. Union officials reiterated Monday they feel it is illegal for the county to "unilaterally" boost hours of work in the absence of a contract.

The firemen's union and county administration have wrangled for years, with firemen finally going on strike in 1975 and emerging with a 56-hour work week. At one time, county firemen were on a 126-hour duty week and over the years have whittled it down to a level Bennett contends is compatible with other fire departments in the state.

The supervisors' action directly affects some 164 firemen in the department of

208 persons, including seven battalion chiefs. The Fire Department budget, one of the biggest in county government, is in excess of \$4 million.

Supervisors took their action after another fruitless negotiation session last Thursday between the union and county. Bennett offered to get firemen negotiators into another session this week, but it was evident the supervisors' patience was worn thin.

Staff said the boost in hours would mean an increase from approximately 10 shifts monthly to 11½ with 137 shifts (24 hours) per year on duty and 228 days off. Currently the firemen have 121 shifts on and 244 days off per year.

The new plan will mean a cut in department strength by 17 positions, but as 10 are currently unfilled, it will mean only seven jobs cut. The three-platoon system will stay.

Bennett contended there was no more reason to boost firemen's hours than hours of other county employees. He said the county fire tax rate had been cut and the current work week in the "ball park" with fire departments elsewhere in the state.



BUENA Vista teacher Linda Newberry, center, coaches four of the school's chess players who are prepping for The Record's seventh annual scholastic Christmas chess tournament, Dec. 20. The youngsters, from the left are Doug Heath, Robert Baldassano, Joanna Crosby and Melanie Lee. Possibly as many as 15 to 20 of the Vandenberg Village elementary school's students expect to enter the tournament. Elementary school competition will be at Fillmore School, 1211 E. Pine Ave.

Supervisors postpone tax inequity decisions

By DICK PRAUL

County supervisors facing a deluge of important issues Monday decided to put off a possible decision on county vs. city tax inequities until the morning of Jan. 3, prior to reorganization of the board at 12 noon that day.

The supervisors heard pleas from four city mayors and the city attorney from a fifth city to give city taxpayers relief from having to pay more than \$1.8 million toward funding of county sheriff's patrols which do not operate in the cities.

The county administration countered by revealing a report showing that the cities are benefiting to the tune of more than \$3.7 million in local sales taxes and motor vehicle in-lieu taxes paid by residents of unincorporated areas.

It was agreed to continue to hearing on the matter until 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 3. New board members will take their seats on the five-man board at noon the same day.

Calling on the county to give tax relief to city taxpayers were Santa Barbara Mayor David Shiffman, Lompoc Mayor Eugene Stevens, Carpinteria Mayor Thomas Raycraft, Guadalupe Mayor Frank Almaguer, and Santa

Maria City Attorney John Van Ryn.

They claimed the cities get no benefit from sheriff's patrols at all, and urged formation of a countywide service area to fund the patrol work, with zones of benefit set up. City zones would be no-benefit zones and exempt from contributing, under such an arrangement.

Supervisor Francis Beattie claimed some cities, at least, got the benefit of sheriff's patrols passing through the city on their way to assigned posts.

Obituaries

Evelyn G. Arnold

Memorial services for Evelyn G. Arnold, 90, will be held 3 p.m. Thursday at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Solvang with the Rev. Stuart G. Fitch officiating. Inurnment will be at Grand View Memorial Park in Glendale.

Mrs. Arnold was born in 1886 in Massachusetts and died Monday at the Santa Ynez Community Hospital. She formerly resided at 636 Atterdag Road in Solvang.

She was a member of St.

Mark's Episcopal Church and was a life member of the Glendale chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Arnold is survived by a son, Richard F. Arnold of Vandenberg Village; a daughter, Mrs. Janice Massey of Pennsylvania; four granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Starbuck Mortuary. Memorial contributions may be made to the M.R.I. Fund in care of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Lompoc or a charity of choice.

Opal P. Blaurock

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Oak Hill Cemetery in Ballard for Mrs. Opal Pearl Blaurock, 57, of Fontana, a former resident of the Santa Ynez Valley who died Saturday at Queen of the Valley Hospital in West Covina.

Mrs. Blaurock moved recently to Fontana from the valley with her husband, John, who was formerly engaged in ranch work in the valley.

She was born April 6, 1919 in Chantun, Kan.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Blaurock leaves two daughters, Mrs. Louise Pugh of Los Olivos and Mrs. Jeanne Schneider of West Covina; two brothers, Cecil Walden of Hawaii and Clarence Walden of Granada Hills; a sister, Mrs. Thelma Stowell of Santa Barbara and eight grandchildren.

Visitation will be today from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Loper Funeral Chapel in Solvang. Friends may remember the City of Hope in Duarte.

Chess tourney officials named

By VAUGHN PROCTOR

The Record chess editor

Three long-time champions of youth chess programs will fill key positions in the conduct of the Record's seventh annual scholastic Christmas chess tournament.

The tournament is scheduled for Dec. 20 at Fillmore School for youngsters in kindergarten through sixth grades; and at El Camino School for junior and senior high school competitors. Fillmore is located at 1211 E. Pine Ave., El Camino at Chestnut Avenue and I Street. Play begins at 9 a.m. at both sites. Registration will be at the door.

All students in public, private and parochial schools in the Fourth Supervisorial District are eligible.

La Canada School teacher Don Ribble will direct the elementary school competition; Lompoc Junior High School teacher Phil Hirschler will direct competition in grades seven and eight; and Lompoc High School teacher Norman Larson will direct the high school competition.

Ribble teaches the fourth grade. He has sponsored chess at his school for a number of years. Hirschler teaches German and social studies. He is the dean of the Record's Christmas tournaments, having directed the junior high school competition since the event began seven years ago. Hirschler also directs a daily chess program in his school.

Larson teaches business subjects. He has been the chess club sponsor at Lompoc High School for a number of years and coaches his school's varsity and junior varsity teams in the Central Coast High School Chess League.

Prizes for the tournament are trophies, chess sets and memberships in the United States Chess Federation. The latter prizes bring with them 12 monthly copies of Chess Life-Review. Lompoc Record underwrites all tournament expenses.

The two elementary schools with the most entries will receive tournament sized, weighed and felted chess sets and plastic boards.

AHC stages 'A Christmas Carol'

By STAN TULLEDO

Staff writer

Allan Hancock College is now staging Dickens' classic story of Ebenezer Scrooge. It plays through Saturday with an 8 p.m. curtain.

What is so special about "A Christmas Carol" is that it completely catches the reader, or in this case, the viewer in the spirit of Christmas.

It is a heartwarming story about a stingy old man who finds love and goodness and would soften the most cynical person, if only for awhile.

Who would not do anything he could to help the crippled and dying Tiny Tim? And when Scrooge learns the error of his ways, who would not forgive and invite him in for egg nog?

"A Christmas Carol" puts the viewer in the spirit of Christmas as much as it does Scrooge.

This stage production, directed by Randal Myler, seems better suited for older children and adults, rather than the very little, because so much talk goes on.

Cal Winn plays Scrooge in a better dressed and groomed way than this viewer has seen before. The nasty tone is strong as ever, however.

David Williams plays the gentle Bob Cratchit and Roberta Levitow is his wife. The charming chimney sweep and narrator is Denis Arndt. Mark Harelik is Scrooge's

nephew who has not given up hope on his uncle, though he has good cause.

Myler adapted the play from Dickens' story and has included some effective technical touches. For example, Marley's ghost — played so frighteningly by Michael Winters — comes thundering through the floor. Also, the ghost of Christmas Present (Troy Evans) must be 20 feet tall.

The cast is large. Costumes, designed by Barbara E. Sellers, are 19th century English. The setting, also designed by Ms. Sellers, shows Scrooge's office

and bedroom and the high skyline of buildings in a neighborhood.

Sahl's note

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — An attorney for Mort Sahl is seeking dismissal of suit filed by Frank Sinatra against the comedian over a \$20,000 promissory note.

Ron Rouda said Monday that he would seek dismissal on grounds Sinatra failed to appear at his lawyer's office in Los Angeles to give a court-ordered deposition in the case on Dec. 8. The lawyer said Sinatra informed him he was too angry at Sahl to appear to give the deposition.

The promissory note was signed in 1964 when Sahl was to make a recording for Sinatra's record company.

Rouda said that Sahl paid back \$10,000 to Sinatra in 1967. In November, 1974 Sinatra sued Sahl in Los Angeles Superior Court for the unpaid balance, Rouda said.

Supervisor Harrell Fletcher, of Santa Maria, often a critic of county policies which he said are designed to promote South Coast interests over those in his north county, said he felt constrained to back the Santa Barbara firm's bid in that it would provide "an overall betterment of emergency medical care in the northern part of the county."

Dr. John Dorman, chairman of the County Emergency Medical Care Committee, said the committee voted to back a subcommittee's recommendation in favor of the Santa Barbara firm, known as 911 Emergency Services, Inc. He said the Santa Barbara company's proposal in response to various companies in the area was the only one received before the deadline for proposals, and met all the county's rigid new specifications, including full paramedic care.

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POLICE today were investigating the reported burglary of Lompoc Drive-In Theater, apparently by a sneak thief. Theater employees reported the disappearance of a camera, some tools and other personal property. A complete inventory of the office premises was to be conducted.

A 24-YEAR-OLD Lompoc man, Tonnie Leonard Miller of 312 West Dr., was arrested Monday on a warrant charging the possession of dangerous drugs. Miller was taken into custody in the 400 block of North I Street and booked in Lompoc Jail under \$3,500 bail. Police say they confiscated 6½ minnie bennies or amphetamine tablets.

JAMES Lee Oliver, 20, of 414-A North I St., was arrested Monday on suspicion of the burglary last Oct. 4 of a residence at 134½-C North N St. An estimated \$485 worth of stereo sound reproduction components was reported stolen.

THE CHRISTMAS tree thief has hit Chuck's Nursery again. A five-foot-high tree, weighing 70 pounds and valued at \$28 was stolen from the nursery at 1321 E. Ocean Ave., Sunday. The incident was reported Monday. Two trees were stolen by an intruder a couple of weeks ago. There were no suspects today.

SHERIFF's officials today were investigating the assault on a Vandenberg Village woman and the theft of her car in the 300 block of St. Andrews Way. The car was found later on Pinehurst Avenue about one-and-a-half blocks from the site of the theft. Diana Lynn Suter, 18, of 3949 Polaris Ave., told deputies she was driving along St. Andrews Way when a young man stepped to the center of the road and flagged her down. When she stopped the car, another man appeared at the driver's door and pulled her from the car. The woman fell to the pavement as she was dragged through the door from her seat, but she was apparently not seriously hurt, according to investigators.

FIFTH and sixth grade honor classes at Westwings Elementary School are currently raising funds through bake and rummage sales to go on an educational trip to Sacramento, San Francisco and San Simeon and other points of interest in January.

A MEETING of the newly organized Senior Advisory Committee of Lompoc will be held tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at 217 W. Maple Ave. Persons attending are asked to bring a sandwich. Coffee and cookies are available. For information call 5-1178 and ask for Pat Johnson.

THE GENERAL plan committee for the Lompoc area will meet Thursday, 7:30 p.m. in the County Administration Building, Cypress Avenue and E Street, to discuss land use questions of the general plan.

REGISTRATION for the workshop, "Love Project: Creating Your Own Reality," with Diane K. Pike and Arlene Lorraine is under way at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, via Post Office Box 1062, Lompoc, Ca 93436. The workshop will be held at the church on Jan. 14, 7 to 10 p.m. and Jan. 15, 9 a.m. to noon; 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m. A donation of \$20 is sought. More information is available at 736-2311.

A FESTIVAL of nine lessons and carols as preparation for Christmas will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 200 E. Central Ave., Sunday, 10 a.m. St. Mary's choir and lay readers will make the presentation. Maida Ratcliffe will direct the choir. Child care is available during the service.

REGISTRATION is under way at Lompoc Parks and Recreation Department for the Winter Program that begins on Jan. 10. Pre-registration is required. The following classes are available: Cake decorating, beginning and advanced; guitar, adult beginning and youth beginning and advanced; knitting and needlepoint; macrame; playschool for children, four, five and three years of age; sewing techniques; tumbling for children; watercolor; women's exercise; woodcarving; youth art; history of Lompoc; ham radio, general class license.

THE Lompoc Moose Lodge prepared and served the turkey dinner to members of the Boys' Club Saturday, which was depicted in yesterday's Record. The photo caption said the board of directors of the club served the dinner.

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Jet fighter decisions delayed for Carter study

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Two decisions on major fighter aircraft programs are being delayed so President-elect Jimmy Carter will have a chance to make up his own mind about them, according to informed defense sources.

The decisions involve the proposed sale of 250 modified versions of a new Navy fighter to Iran and a \$2.5 billion plan to modernize the nearly defunct U.S. air defense system, largely by purchasing up to 170 new interceptor aircraft.

The interceptor program had been scheduled for a decision by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld around Jan. 1. The sale of a land-based version of

Portugal socialists win major victory

LISBON, Portugal (UPI) — Portugal's ruling Socialists have won a significant victory in nationwide local elections despite predictions that voters would reject their get-tough economic policies.

With almost all the votes counted Monday, the Socialist share of the total vote was down about 1 per cent from previous elections, but surpassed the party's most optimistic predictions and surprised opposition parties.

The polling in all but 50 of Portugal's 4,035 villages and towns gave the Socialists 33.2 per cent of the vote against 24.3 per cent for centrist Social Democrats, the next largest party.

Any significant drop in Socialists' voting strength could have forced the minority government to enter a coalition with opposition parties.

Prime Minister Mario Soares said the vote was "an indisputable victory" for the Socialist party's decision to rule alone despite opposition calls for a coalition.

The Communists increased their percentage of the vote from 14.5 per cent in last spring's legislative assembly

Court rules against classes of women

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Supreme Court again has ruled against two classes of women — divorcees caring for small or handicapped children, and married women desiring to retain their own names for all legal purposes.

The court unanimously held Monday that when a wage earner retires or is disabled Social Security benefits can be denied a divorced wife under age 62 burdened with child care, while granted to married women in the same circumstances.

The court also rejected the appeal of a Lexington, Ky., woman who used her maiden name for social and legal purposes but was prevented from using it on her driver's license.

Sylvia Scott Whitlow, an instructor at the University of Kentucky School of Journalism, sued to challenge an unwritten regulation of the state Driver Licensing Division requiring married names. She was told her license had to show Van Tubergen, her husband's last name.

In a lower court Ms. Whitlow's arguments founded on a 1972 action by the Supreme Court upholding a similar practice in Alabama. The justices rejected her appeal without comment.

Phalangist escapes death

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — A powerful time bomb exploded under the car of a leading Christian Phalangist party official today but he escaped the assassination attempt "by miracle," the Phalangist radio said.

The radio said the TNT bomb, attached to a timing device, completely destroyed the vehicle belonging to Kerim Pakradouni, a Christian Phalangist party politburo member who played a key role in negotiations with the Syrians at the height of the civil war.

The violence was triggered by a shooting incident Sunday involving Chamoun's motorcade that left two dead.

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the F18, tailored to Iranian specifications since all of the Navy's planes will be carrier versions, first came under Pentagon scrutiny in October.

But both decisions are now on the back burner until after Carter takes office Jan. 20, the sources said.

Notification to Congress of a deal on the F18L is required and would take the matter into January anyway. But it was decided to postpone the decision in any case because of criticism of the proposed sale, the sources said.

Carter has pledged to take a close look at arms sale policies and during the campaign was particularly critical of sales to

Iran, which now total about \$10 billion over the past few years.

Criticism of the F18L project involved Northrop Corp., which acted on its own to sell the plane to the Iranians who submitted a letter of intent to buy 250 planes at a cost of about \$6 million each. They also offered a first installment of \$8 million on development costs that might run as high as \$250 million.

The interceptor program involves the Air Force's recommendation to buy an improved version of its F15 fighter with greater range for air defense purposes. Rumsfeld was to decide whether to go ahead with the program and whether the F15 or some other aircraft should be selected.

Air Force sources indicated that the service itself — much as it did in the case of the B1 bomber — would prefer to have the new administration take its own look at the program rather than face it with a major decision already taken.

"It is not the sort of thing we would want to go charging ahead on," said one Air Force source. The source said there will be some funds in the new budget for the project, but that the Air Force wants to be sure it has Carter's support before going any further.

Defense critics have questioned the purchase of new interceptors when U.S. air defenses, which now consist of six active squadrons and some reserve forces, were largely scrapped just a few years ago.

The Air Force, concerned by the new Soviet Backfire bomber with its intercontinental range, says it needs replacements for the 20-year-old F106 interceptors still in service.

Nation's weather

United Press International Bitter cold that settled over the nation's midlands has been fingered as an unwitting accomplice to murder.

Detroit police said near zero weather was apparently used to murder a man who was found bound, gagged and frozen to death. The man was clad in only a T-shirt.

Monday's freezing death was the fifth reported in five days. However, police said it was the only incident where the weather was used as a homicide weapon.

The victim was found Monday in an Absopure Water Co. trailer near downtown Detroit.

Police have found one body a day for the past five days as temperatures plummeted to lows of 6 degrees above zero.

Last winter, police said, only "three or four" persons died of exposure.

Temperatures dipped well below zero over much of the upper Midwest Monday but moderated late in the day and were in the 20s early today as the cold wave swept eastward to chill the Northeast.

The cold wave sent temperatures to record depths in portions of the Northeast Monday night and continued to sent the mercury plummeting to well below zero early today.

Early morning temperatures today ranged from 13 below zero at Houlton, Maine, to 74 at Key West, Fla.

California weather

A dry air mass associated with the eastern Pacific high remained firmly entrenched over California today. Skies were fair over the entire state but visibilities were locally restricted in some valleys by haze and smoke and patchy ground fog.

Early morning temperatures in the lowlands were mostly in the cool 30s and 40s. The mountain basins were in the frosty 20s and teens.

The dry spell will continue through at least mid week.

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CURRENTLY ON display in the Lompoc High School library is the needlework of the creative home arts class taught by Mrs. Gerry Young. Looking over their contributions to the exhibit are Tammy House, left, 10th grader, and Susan Sperber, 11th grade.

Vietnamese congress opens

BANGKOK, Thailand (UPI) — Vietnamese President Ton Duc Thang today opened the first congress of the Vietnam Workers party in 16 years with an appeal to his countrymen to "consolidate the victory over U.S.-led rebels."

Thang, 88, told 1,008 representatives from throughout unified Vietnam and members of 27 foreign delegations meeting in Hanoi that Communism has "driven out the invading Americans and saved the nation."

"Now that our people have won, we must consolidate the victory over U.S.-led rebels," Thang said in a 10-minute speech frequently interrupted by a hacking cough.

His welcoming speech was followed by a 70-minute address by party First Secretary Le Duan, a likely candidate to be named party chairman during the five-day convention. The post has been vacant since the death of Ho Chi Minh in 1969.

Le Duan, Vietnam's leading Communist theoretician, recounted his country's 30-year battle for independence that culminated in Communist occupation of Saigon on April 30, 1975.

The two spoke in the former Hanoi Opera House near the mausoleum of Ho Chi Minh. The speeches, broadcast on nationwide radio, were monitored in Bangkok.

Le Duan called the 1975 victory in southern Vietnam "the biggest defeat in American history."

He said that "the United States, at the head of wealthy imperialist nations, has been considerably weakened by its failure in Vietnam."

"The United States schemed to replace France in Vietnam and fell into a quagmire swamp," Le Duan said. "This became the decisive battleground between the forces of U.S.-led imperialism and socialist forces for peace."

"The United States fully committed itself in 1965," he said, referring to the American buildup in Vietnam which totaled half a million servicemen. "Ten years later the people won."

In his welcome to foreign delegations, Le Duan omitted mention of the Soviet Union's representatives, headed by leading theoretician Mikhail Suslov. He also did not mention Laos and Cambodia, the two other Indochina nations conquered by the Communists in 1975.

China, which did not send a delegation, messaged "warmest greetings."

Ford sounds out congressional leaders on large pay increase

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Ford sounded out congressional leaders today about a large pay raise proposal for top level federal employees that would include stiff conflict of interest rules.

Ford met first with fellow Republicans on the recommendations of the federal salary commission headed by former Commerce Secretary Peter Peterson. The panel favors an average 40 per cent increase in congressional, judicial and top-level executive salaries combined with extensive disclosure requirements and strict prohibitions against outside income.

Sen. Robert Griffin, R-Mich., who may become the Senate's GOP leader, said party politics and the pay raise were the prime topics discussed. Any increase would go to Congress with the President's budget message in January and would take effect unless specifically rejected by one house.

After the meeting with Ford, Griffin said: "If he recommends a salary adjustment, it will be coupled with ... a tightening of the code of conduct for all branches of government."

Asked if he thought Congress would agree to a call for strict ethical standards, Griffin said:

"They should, they better."

Griffin said there was no discussion of the \$10 billion tax cut and curbs on federal spending, which aides said would be one of the first bills facing the Congress when it convenes in January.

Ford also will be delivering his last State of the Union message in January and officials have hinted it might carry some other new suggestions from the outgoing chief executive.

Six top economic advisers joined Ford Monday to discuss the details of his tax cut plan, and Press Secretary Ron Nessen said it would be designed primarily to ease the burden on those in the middle-income bracket.

During the election campaign, Ford promised to seek a tax cut and he was said to hope now that Congress still will consider his proposals even though Carter will be making his own recommendations after Jan. 20.

Nessen said Ford deemed his tax plan and proposed budget "very important" and was drafting them with the same "dedication and hard work and long hours as any other major proposal over the last two and one-half years."

Ford sent a \$10 billion tax cut proposal to Congress last January, but it was rejected—

Smith claims conference is adjourned

SALISBURY, Rhodesia (UPI) — Prime Minister Ian Smith says the Geneva conference on Rhodesia's future has not collapsed but only adjourned and he believes the British and the Americans won't let it break down.

"This conference after two months, I believe, will make history by being a conference which is adjourned before it's actually started its business," he said on returning from Geneva Monday.

He said when it is reconvened, "It will have to be resumed on the basis of implementing the Anglo-American agreement...."

The five-point plan presented by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and accepted by Smith, contains a blueprint for a pre-majority rule interim government. The black nationalists reject that plan.

"It has been quite chaotic over there. There was no progress at all," Smith said of the talks. But he added:

"The talks have not broken down. The talks have adjourned and I'm satisfied that people like the British government and, I believe, even the American government are dedicated to trying to ensure that they don't break down, that we succeed."

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Kuntz-Farrar vows are exchanged

La Purisima is the wedding scene

Fresno is the home of newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Mathas Farrar III, nee Sally Ann Kuntz, whose marriage took place Nov. 27 in La Purisima Catholic Church. Fathers James Burnham of La Purisima Church and Jerry Beilamy of Santa Barbara officiated at the double ring ceremony before an assemblage of 200 guests.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Kuntz, 3519 Constellation Road, Vandenberg Village. Her husband is the son of Ms. Carolyn Farrar of 1116 E. Peach Ave.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride wore an A-line styled gown of qiana with full dress train, a scoop necked bodice outlined with lace daisies, full length bell sleeves. Daisy lace edging also trimmed her mantilla capped veil. Yellow roses, white carnations and ivy fashioned her cascade bouquet.

Following bridal tradition, her something old was the pearl earrings and necklace set worn by her mother on her own wedding day. Something new was her wedding gown; something borrowed, a treasured gold bracelet from her godmother, Alice Karbowski of Schenectady, N.Y. Something blue was her lace trimmed garter.

Serving as her honor attendant, her godmother wore a gown of blue polyester with a sheer lined floral cape and a headpiece of white daisies and baby breath. Navy strawflowers with streamers secured her tiny nosegay of navy strawflowers, white roses and yellow daisies.

Bridesmaids were Miss Donna Kuntz, sister of the bride; Mary Castro, her cousin; Nola Herman, all of Vandenberg Village.

Dave DeGregorio attended the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Wade Wilson, Dave Wasserman and Rodney Spooner.

Miss Cathy Ada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Ada, was the flowergirl; Jack Letteri, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.P. Letteri, the ringbearer.

The ballroom of Surf Mist NCO Club was scene of the wedding reception hosted by parents of the bride. Assisting for Mrs. Kuntz, unable to attend, was the bride's aunt, Ms. Carmen Garrido of San Diego. Crocheted lace trimmed her black polyester gown. Red sweetheart roses and white gladioli fashioned her corsage.

The bridegroom's mother wore a pastel floral design gown with corsage of red sweetheart roses and ribbons.

For the couple's wedding trip up the California Coast and to Solvang, the bride wore a brown slacks suit with matching shirt, and her godmother's gold bracelet.

A 1974 graduate of Victor Valley High School, Victorville, the bride was graduated this year from Allan Hancock College. She is now attending Cal State University at Fresno. A 1972 graduate of Lompoc High School, the bridegroom also attends Cal State University.



Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Farrar

—Rollins photo

LOMPOC RECORD

Valley Life

Betty Laurent — Editor

Community Woman's Club marks holiday season

A tinsel and bell-hung ceiling and Christmas tree decorated the lobby as members of Community Woman's Club gathered for their holiday luncheon at the Royal Coach. Red linen cloths covered the tables centered with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus dolls. Decor was by Merle (Mrs. Wendell) Swanson.

Jackie (Mrs. Robert) Molihan, president, introduced officers at the head table and guests for the day. Rosalie (Mrs. Fred) McVicar led the Flag Salute. "Bequest" was title of the devotional read by Arla (Mrs. Gordon) Bullard. Laura Henderson led the group in singing the birthday song for December celebrants, then all sang "Jingle Bells."

Introduced as new members, Joan Bennett, Grace Darrah and Betty Morris were each presented with a corsage made by Dottie Chilson.

Mrs. McVicar gave a presentation on the Christmas statues on display.

The club's Home and Garden section met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Alice (Mrs. Dale) Bryant, 509 N. Poppy

St. Books for Christmas giving was the subject of Gale Benson, guest speaker from Lompoc Valley Stationery and Book Store. Guests brought cookies with recipes for exchange as well as gifts. Assisting the hostess were Ione (Mrs. Robert) Dunn, Margie (Mrs. William) McDougall and Ann (Mrs. Raymond) Veberka.

Venetta Caldwell, ways and means chairman, reported a successful holiday bazaar and resuming of the Busy Bee workshop in January following a December holiday. Ann Odgen was announced as winner of the afghan made by Ruth Andersen.

Trudy (Mrs. Seymour) Okun, program chairman, introduced Denise Nasato, director, instructor and choreographer from the Lompoc Dance Studio, who presented a program by her students, on ballet, tap and novelty numbers set to Christmas music.

Maria (Mrs. Eugene) Voorhees was hostess for the day. Alice Jauncey and Minna Elinsky assisted Melva (Mrs. Norbert) Regel, luncheon chairman, at the door.



Dear Abby

Christmas gift — or tax deduction?

DEAR ABBY: Tell me if I'm wrong, but I do not appreciate receiving a card at Christmastime informing me that a gift in my name has been sent to the starving children of Bangladesh, the earthquake victims of Guatemala, or a handicapped war veteran.

I personally donate to many worthy causes, but I also send my friends and relatives Christmas gifts and cards.

When I get one of these "a-gift-in-your-name" certificates, I feel that I am being used as a tax deduction, which is no gift at all. Care to comment?

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DEAR USED: I disagree. In my opinion, one of the more civilized practices of recent years is donating to charity instead of giving extravagant gifts to those who already have more than they need. Knowing that a starving child, an earthquake victim or a handicapped war veteran had received help in my name would be gift enough for me.

DEAR ABBY: How would you handle the following problem if you were "Boy C"?

Boy A took a new school book (school property, too) loaned to Boy B and defaced it terribly. Boy B was not around when this happened, and the only one who saw him do it was Boy C.

Should Boy C tell the teacher what he saw?

WORRIED SICK

Parties are on the local scene

Grange events

Lompoc Grange Committee of Women's Activities will hold its annual Christmas party in the home of Mary (Mrs. Kenneth) Fairbanks, 335 South N Street, tomorrow at 1 p.m. Each guest will bring a refreshment specialty of the season for the Christmas buffet. Gifts of \$1.50 minimum value will be exchanged.

The party and other events were discussed last Thursday at a general meeting of the Grange. The charter was draped for Mike Guevarra. Membership obligation was given to Julia Bosio. Veril and Barbara Meadows and Antonia Norman.

Henry Dettamanti was winner of the Grange booster barrel, annual convention prize.

All Grange members are invited to the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Armstrong Jan. 1 at the Lompoc First United Methodist Church.

Barbara White accepted the post of lecturer for the coming year, taking over for George Luers, resigned for reasons of health.

Game prizes for the evening were won by Ethel Wilson and Verna Meyers. Refreshments were served by Gladys Kimball, Gertrude Lehman, Letha Compton and Esther Harris.

Next Grange function will be the installation of officers Jan. 13 at 8 p.m. in the hall. John Tendland, district deputy,

Youngsters of La Canada plan program

Children of La Canada School will entertain Wednesday night in the school cafeteria, the program starting at 7 p.m. Robert Scolorio, student body president, will serve as master of ceremonies. Second and third graders will open the program with their rendition of "Do You Hear What I Hear."

The program will include many traditional Christmas carols as well as some new selections. Every grade, first through sixth, will be represented. There will be instrumental selections by advanced students and solos from both vocal and instrumental groups.

Vocal directors Karen (Mrs. Thomas) Frankenberger and Marge (Mrs. Bobby) Atwood will be aided by Reggie (Mrs. Charles) Turnbo as choreographer and teachers: Marlys Swanson, Elizabeth Pickering, Helen George, Don Ribble, Bill Smith, Margaret Clark, Dave Hagenson, Homer Clees and Marie Cunningham. Mae Layton is instrumental music teacher.

Lois (Mrs. Dennis) Paul, Parent Teacher Association hospitality chairman, will be in charge of a bake sale to follow the program.

and his drill team will conduct the ceremonies.

Teachers party

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. John McKoy in Mesa Oaks was scene of a gala Christmas party Saturday night for the teaching staff of Los Berros School, Mission Hills. Although it was a crisp winter night with a full moon, Santa apparently lost his way and was kindly directed to the party address where the staff and their guests were eagerly awaiting his visit. Fortunately, the end of the television showing of the Rams game coincided with his arrival.

Following a potluck dinner, spiced with a wealth of historical stories, and profound opinions, the guests gathered before a blazing fire in the white carpeted sunken living room, to open the colorfully wrapped gifts from "secret pals."

Rounding out the fun-filled evening, were predictions (promises) of Santa (Joe Plummer, Parent Teacher Association president) of "wished for" gifts in Christmas morning stockings. These desires of staff ranged from a new kiln for ceramics, a bicycle light, typing lessons and a bundle of newspapers for Dr. Fu Manchu, the Lhasapso puppy of Lois Wirt.

Present for the holiday party were: Ellen and Wally Fuller, Evelyn and Fred Goodgame, Betty and Tom Lewis, Sonia and Henry Culmer, Donna and Dave Manship, Naoko and Tom Freeman, Wally and Chris Rogers, Ed and Donna Patrick, Shirley and Joe Leonard, Tanya and Gary Opfermann, Russ and Laura Cross, Bob and Frances Gehoker, Betty and Gus Petersen, Mrs. Duane Norris, Abby Matthews, Linda Wiezorek, Dr. Bill Lefson, Mrs. Leo Gnesa, Mrs. Madeleine Merlino, Mrs. Martha Canfield and Lois Wirt.

Church choirs schedule pageant

The combined choirs of First Baptist Church (American) and the Valley Chapel will present a Christmas pageant, "Christmas Praises," this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the chapel, 125 North N Street. The performance will be repeated Sunday evening at the Baptist Church, 220 W. Cypress Ave., beginning at 7:15 p.m.

Special numbers will be sung by: Vance Newcomb, Bill Anderson, Bob Snyder, Adrien Sinclair, Elaine Webster, Marilyn Boatman, Muriel Sumter, and the American Baptist Women's trio. Accompanists will be Marge (Mrs. Bobby) Atwood and Dorothy Shaw.



Growing older

Man's back is a put-upon rebel

By HAROLD BLUMENFELD

"Oh, my aching back!"

That's the frequent cry of pain and anguish from Homo Sapiens (that's us) who can stand and walk erect. But we must do this using a structurally weak trunk to support our limbs and head.

Back pain is one of man's most common medical complaints and possibly one of the least understood. Doctors at St. Francis Hospital of Miami Beach, Fla., have researched the causes and suggest ways and means to ease the pain of our aching backs.

Doctors explain that ruptured discs are separate and serious problems in back ailments. However, there's a good chance the spine signals other pains from arthritis, muscle strains and what we commonly refer to as a "charley horse."

The St. Francis Hospital survey showed elderly people are particularly susceptible to back pain because of physical changes in advancing years. The spinal discs tend to flatten out, become fibrous and lose their resiliency. There is a reduction in the mobility of the spine. Leaking of the gel-like substance in the inner core of a disc may be a warning of a possible slipped disc. Ligaments, tendons and muscles also grow old and become nonstretchable fibrous tissue. And when all this happens, the back becomes subject to sprains, strains and spasms.

If for many years we've given up tennis and other strenuous activity we shouldn't take on any taxing physical exertions. It's okay to walk, swim and engage in other mild health-building exercises. But we must remember not to do anything which will put a strain on an aging back. And surely not lift heavy objects, dig in the garden or shovel snow.

I've suffered from a lumbar condition in my lower back for more than 25 years, which may have been caused by a fall on a tennis court, poor posture and bad sitting habits, or other things. I had learned to live with it, tried to remember the right and wrong things to do. The occasional back pains would disappear after a few days if I forgot.

We made a trip to New York City this summer and the old pain returned, probably because I had lifted and carried luggage for short distances. The lower back ache went away after a few days but I had a new and excruciating pain which ran from my left hip down to the ankle. I assumed this was a "charley horse" brought on when I used muscles which had been inactive and I treated the pain with aspirin and rubbing liniment. But that hip, leg and ankle pain seemed to get much worse. I couldn't walk and I didn't suspect that this new pain was caused by something that had happened to my spine.

We cut short our vacation and a local orthopedist's X-rays showed two of the lower vertebrae bones had grown close together and were pinching nerves which went from the spine to the lower left side of my body.

I was confined to bed for a week. The second week I was permitted to split bed time with mild activity around the house. The new pain has almost completely disappeared and I can resume my old activities, in moderation.

I now carefully follow the instructions from my own doctor, which were also included in the St. Francis Hospital report. These tips also may help those in their 20s or 30s avoid early back problems.

Now whenever I must stand for a long period of time I shift my weight by resting the left foot on a stool or similar object.

I sleep on my back with a pillow under my knees or sleep on my side with knees bent. But never on my stomach.

Whenever possible I lie down instead of sitting up.

I avoid the deep sofa in the living room and the soft easy chair in front of the tv set in my den. I have an old hardseated and straight-backed kitchen-type chair which I carry around the house. And I sit well back on the chair and avoid slouching.

By wearing a new girdle I may be able to get back to the golf course. But the first thing I will do is buy a lightweight golf bag and discard at least half of my clubs. The reduced weight will be easier on my back and I probably will shoot a better score when I don't have to make the decision whether to use a six iron or a seven iron to reach the green.

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Hearing scheduled on Parkway improvements

Directors of the Buellton Community Services District will conduct a public hearing Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the district office to hear protests on annexation improvements to the southernmost island of the Buellton Parkway.

The improvements, estimated to cost about \$2,000, will consist of the installation of lighting fixtures and flag standards in the parkway area.

Directors are also scheduled to hear a request from a representative of McDonald's for a can-and-will-serve water and sewer service commitment for a new McDonald's scheduled to be built on the south side of Highway 246 near the parkway.

The board will also discuss the conflict of interest code and set a public hearing on its adoption.

District secretary Louise Rogers said the board may or may not learn the current

status of the district's application for Public Works Grant of a little more than \$500,000 to finance the district's water service expansion program. Mrs. Rogers said the district has been informed that the application is now being processed.

A report is also to be made on the district's bid for a loan of more than \$800,000 under the Clean Drinking Water Act for the water improvement and expansion project. The district has been informed it is third on a list of 88 applicants. If granted, approval would require subsequent approval by the voters.

Don Howard, a district engineer, was also due to report on a five-year wastewater treatment plan. Howard has been requested by the board to provide data on present capacity of the system and what will be needed at the end of the five-year period to provide for the needs of the community.

Woman's Club to present program

Hailed as its annual Christmas gift to the people of the Santa Ynez Valley, the Santa Ynez Valley Woman's Club will present an annual Yuletide musical program Friday night at 8 o'clock in the parish hall of Bethania Lutheran Church.

A program, "An Evening of Christmas Music," will be presented by the widely acclaimed Allan Hancock College A Capella Choir directed by Glenn A. Montague.

The choir is one of California's most traveled and recognized community college choirs and is one of the few in the nation to be invited to sing as part of the Sunday chapel services at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.

The 40-member choir will present a varied program of Christmas music during the evening.

Mrs. Lyman Peck, club president, who will welcome the choir and audience at the program, said the public is invited to attend.

Refreshments will be served during the evening.

Mrs. Ray Hunemiller heads the group of hostesses which include Mrs. Maria Barranco, Mrs. Richard Brand, Mrs. Norman Davison, Mrs. Robert Kroc, Mrs. Joe McMahon, Mrs.

Reid Merryman, Mrs. T.M. Parks, Mrs. Covington Pringle, Mrs. Hazel Raleigh, Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. Dale Trinkle, Mrs. Frank Trumbo, and Mrs. Sidney Weeks.

Strategy meet set today

In the wake of a State Water Resources Control Board staff report recommending denial of an appeal for funding of a deep river wastewater crossing of the Santa Ynez River and as a prelude to a SWRCB meeting Thursday at 10 a.m. in Sacramento, representatives of the Solvang Municipal Improvement District and the Santa Ynez Community Services Districts will meet in a strategy session today at 4 p.m. in the SMID Center.

Attending the meeting, designed to produce a joint statement which could be read in Sacramento as a final effort to obtain funding for the project, will be a joint sewer committee from the two districts, representatives of the regional office of the SWRCB in San Luis Obispo and Atty. Peggy McElligott who made the appeal in behalf of both districts.

The state board Thursday will formally receive the conclusions reached in the 10-page report prepared by Roy Dodson, a member of the board, and hearing officer at a hearing conducted Nov. 9 in Solvang.

Agnew pardon

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The White House has confirmed that a lawyer recently called to discuss a pardon for former Vice President Spiro Agnew, and was referred to the Justice Department.

Press Secretary Ron Nessen said Monday that Deputy White House Counsel Edward Schmults spoke to the lawyer and "it was basically handled in a very routine way" by referring the inquiry to the department responsible for such matters.

Justice says it has received no inquiries.

'Mr. Scrooge' set for public tonight

The curtain will rise at 8 o'clock tonight on the first of four performances of "Mr. Scrooge," a musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," in the auditorium of the Santa Ynez Valley High School.

The Santa Ynez Valley High School Players presentation for the holidays is directed by Sherman Black and will feature, in addition to a large cast, an orchestra directed by Dan Neece. "Mr. Scrooge" will run through Friday night.

Orchestra members include Mia Merrill on the piano, Bob Jones on saxophone, Kirk Wetherholm on trumpet, Carol Schulz on flute, Dan Raleigh on trombone, Linda Leece on clarinet and Gregg Henning on drums.

The vocal music is directed by Mia Merrill and the dances are directed by Sally Solum.

Members of the cast of "Mr. Scrooge," which is being produced by the Players for the second time, are Jeff McConnell as Ebenezer Scrooge; Jeff Newell as Bob Cratchit; Cindy Romero as Mrs. Cratchit; Kevin McConnell as Tiny Tim;

Jim Cuzick, as Harry Cratchit; Tami Hamilton as Elsie Cratchit; Amy Borkman as Martha Cratchit, and Greg Jones as Fred.

Also, Diane Schley and Denise Lowry as Mrs. Dilber; Robert Crowder as Marley's Ghost; Mark Pence as Ghost of Christmas Past; Larry Dotz as Ghost of the Spirit of Christmas; Heidi Ludemann as Ghost of Christmas Future; Walter Williams as Mr. Fezziwig; Kerry Soliz as Mrs. Fezziwig; David Domingos as Young Scrooge; Cheryl Jones as Isabel; Chris Chiapella as Mr. Sharkey; Peter Brown as the Undertaker; Julie Delaney as School Marm; Melissa Coyner as First Lady; Debbie Beebe as Second Lady; Jody Nedegaard as Felicity, and Denny Opp as Young Girl.

Also, Jim Cuzick, as Costermonger; Greg Jones as Delivery Boy; Mark Pence as First Watchman; Peter Hass as Second Watchman; Rosalie Hunter as First Woman; Laurie Wiser as Second Woman; Robert Crowder as First Man; Ed Zaragoza as second man; Jody Nedegaard, Denny Opp, Amy Borkman, Nena Byard, Becky Adams, and Mary Dann Dopps as choristers; Cindy Berry, Robin Dermo, Laurie Springer, Lauri Wiser, Rosalie Hunter, David Domingos, Walter Williams, Peter Brown, Dirk Lopez, Ponzer Berkman, Chris Chiapella, Peter Hass, Melissa Coyner, and Debbie Beebe as Christmas shoppers, party people and crowd people.

Students with ASB cards will be admitted without charge. Admission for adults will be \$1.50 and for children, 50 cents.

Formal dance

Sponsored by the senior class of Santa Ynez Valley High School, an annual Christmas formal will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building in Solvang.

"Snow Flake Fantasy" will provide the theme and music will be by The Pyramid.

Choir concert

The Sanctuary Choir of the Santa Ynez Valley Presbyterian Church will present its annual concert of Christmas music and song Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Robert Raleigh is director and organ accompanist will be Judy Lewellen.

Mobile park status aired

Status of a proposed mobile home park on 24 acres adjacent to the southerly section of the Buellton Parkway consumed most of the discussion at a meeting of the board of trustees of the Buellton Union School District board of trustees at the Jonata School.

Following denial by the county planning commissioner, the county supervisors have set a public hearing on an appeal filed by developers of the project March 7.

R. O. Johnson, district superintendent, said the plan calls for the establishment of 100 mobile homes in the park with an ultimate capacity of 190. The school district opposes the proposal because of the conceivable impact it could have on the district's enrollment which is now near capacity.

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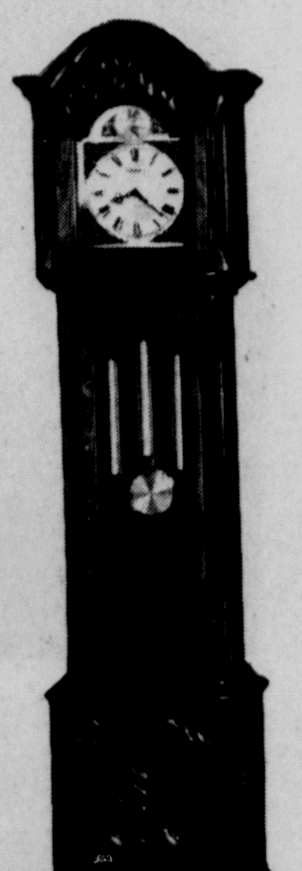
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ELECTION and installation of new officers were among the highlights of an annual one-day convention of the Santa Barbara County Federation of Republican Women Friday at the Alisal Guest Ranch. Discussing the concluded day's program are Mrs. Cesarina Loustalot, left of Santa Ynez, president of the Santa Ynez Valley Republican Women's Club, Mrs. Charlotte Mousel of Tustin, president of the Southern Division of Federated Republican Women, and Mrs. Carolyn Schultz of Lompoc, new head of the County Republican Women's group.

—King Merrill Photo

Holiday bonus due some pupils

An extra Christmas holiday bonus is in the offing for kindergartners through eighth graders of the Los Olivos Elementary School.

While the rest of Santa Ynez Valley public schools will dismiss early Friday for the start of the annual two-week Christmas-New Year's vacation, Los Olivos students will head homeward Wednesday at noon for the start of the holiday respite away from the classroom.

And, while other schools will re-open Monday, Jan. 3, Los Olivos youngsters will not return to school until Wednesday, Jan. 5 and possibly Monday, Jan. 10.

Christmas party

Members of the Santa Ynez Valley Ski Club will join for a Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rick Paaske on Alisal Road in Solvang.

During the evening, the group will discuss plans for a trip to Dodge Ridge Jan. 16-20.

Guild meet

A meeting of the Bethania Lutheran Church Guild will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the parish hall. Hostesses will be Martha Christensen and Dorothy McMenamin.

\$140,000 bond issue approved by Los Olivos District voters last March.

Completion of the moving of the buildings will spell an end to the current split-campus situation at the school.

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Peasants plan march for land

CULIACAN, Mexico (UPI) — Thousands of northern peasants, apparently rejecting earlier government peace moves, say they will march on Mexico City this week to press for "immediate satisfaction" of their demands for land.

Plans for the walk were announced Monday, 48 hours after the leaders of three rival peasant groups promised President Jose Lopez Portillo they would peacefully vacate private farm land in northwestern Sinaloa State.

Lopez Portillo assured them their claims would be heard and settled legally.

Leaders of the Agriculture Workers and Peasants Independent Central, however, said their march would start Wednesday to try to get, among other objectives, "immediate satisfaction of 26,000 claims for land in Sinaloa."

They were backed by the Union of Professors and Investigators of Sinaloa University.

Sergio Herrera Icairo, deputy

Longet's diary ruled inadmissible

DENVER (UPI) — Singer Claudine Longet's diary, allegedly detailing her deteriorating love affair with the man she is accused of killing, has been ruled inadmissible as evidence for the prosecution by the Colorado Supreme Court.

The state high court Monday also said prosecutors could not use as evidence blood tests and urine samples taken from Miss Longet after pro skier Vladimir "Spider" Sabich was shot at the couple's luxurious mountain home in the resort town of Aspen last March.

A private security officer who rushed to the home after the shooting, said Miss Longet pointed to Sabich as he lay bleeding from a single stomach wound on a bathroom floor and told him "I shot Spider, help him."

The diary was confiscated by Pitkin County Sheriff's Lt. Bill Baldrige from Miss Longet's dresser drawer while she rode in an ambulance with her fatally wounded lover to an Aspen Hospital. He also demanded that Miss Longet undergo blood and urine tests.

"Clearly, a personal diary secreted under clothing in one's bedroom dresser drawer is an item of the kind intended to be protected by the Fourth Amendment's warrant requirement," the court said. "Indeed, it would be difficult to imagine what papers and effects should be more entitled to privacy than one's personal diary."

Her diary allegedly detailed the cooling of her love affair with Sabich. Friends said the two-time world ski champion had ordered her to move out of the chalet they had shared for two years.

Brown urges public aid for mentally ill

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. Monday urged more public participation in helping to care for mentally ill patients in the state's hospitals, currently under investigation because of more than 150 highly questionable deaths during the past three years.

Brown, in a press conference after a nine-hour visit to Camarillo State Hospital Sunday, said he was making a personal commitment to do all he could for the mentally ill but community support was necessary.

"The state as family doesn't work well," he said. "We can't substitute for a human, caring neighborhood."

"There's not enough support from the communities and unless we find a way to involve the community, the churches, the neighbors and the families in a much more expansive way, then bureaucratic adjustments won't carry the way."

"The community needs a greater awareness and interest in the mentally ill," he said. "I personally am going to make it my commitment to do everything I can for the mentally ill."

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Bomb threats on schools told in report

WASHINGTON (UPI) — More than 6 per cent of the nation's schools reported one or more bomb threats or use of explosive devices to police during a recent five-month period, according to a government study on school violence.

The study said inner city schools were more likely than other schools to have reported "use of, or threat to use, an incendiary or explosive device."

But this national pattern is not true for some states. In Arizona, rural and suburban schools were more likely to have reported a "bomb" offense than the metropolitan schools. In California, metropolitan schools outside the central city topped the "bomb" reporting list.

In the first national sample survey ever done of school crime and violence, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's National Center for Educational Statistics asked officials of 8,000 schools for data on offenses they reported to police between Sept. 1, 1974, and Jan. 31, 1975.

HEW statisticians said they are still uncertain of the meaning or accuracy of any of the initial survey results, but made them available to UPI under the Freedom of Information Act.

The survey found that 6.7 per cent of schools reported at least one "bomb" offense to police during the period.

One in every five junior and senior high schools in a big city area reported such an offense at least once, the study found.

For all junior and senior high schools, including those outside city areas, the study found that 15.76 per cent reported one or more "bomb" offenses. It said 3.92 per cent of elementary schools reported such offenses.

Court faced difficulty on Gilmore ruling

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A flurry of opinions and a new line-up of justices indicated the difficulties that faced the Supreme Court in its 5-4 decision to permit the execution of Gary Gilmore by firing squad in Utah.

Announcement of the ruling late Monday afternoon was itself a surprise. The court earlier postponed a scheduled holiday recess for a week to hold an open session next Monday, and it was believed the decision on the stay of execution in the Gilmore case would be announced then.

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, with Justices Potter Stewart, John Paul Stevens, Lewis F. Powell and William Rehnquist were the majority, with Justices Byron R. White, William J. Brennan Jr., Thurgood Marshall and Harry A. Blackmun dissenting.

But there were five separate opinions filed. Only Stewart, author of the court's opinion upholding the principle of capital punishment last July, offered no separate views.

White was a surprise, as was Blackmun to a lesser extent. Both voted to uphold the death penalty last July, even when mandatory. The court majority, including Stewart, Stevens and Powell, voted against mandatory death laws while upholding those which afford some jury discretion.

In addition, White is known as a justice who generally votes against the defendant when the high court is faced with issues of constitutional law, and is the lone justice left on the high court who voted against Miranda rules in that famous case a decade ago.

Those rules set guidelines police must follow in questioning and detaining a criminal suspect.

Burger, joined by Powell in the majority opinion, said "The application of Bessie Gilmore manifestly fails to meet the statutory requirements to invoke this court's power to review the action of the Supreme Court of Utah."

At the same time he stated the view that the state was "firmly grounded" in its determination of Gilmore's competence to waive his rights.

In dissent for himself, Brennan and Marshall, White said the execution should be stayed until state courts "have resolved the obvious, serious doubts" about the validity of Utah's capital punishment law.

"I believe the consent of a convicted defendant in a

Pipeline builders in Alaska refuse agency record requests

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The company building the Alaska oil pipeline has refused requests by federal agencies for records in an investigation of reports the cost of the pipeline was driven far above original estimates by fraud, theft, mismanagement and union featherbedding, the Los Angeles Times said today.

The Alaska state government, concerned that it will lose millions of dollars, has also launched an investigation of the Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., the Times said.

It quoted state officials as saying some construction records were "intentionally destroyed" by a fire.

The newspaper quoted John O'Meara, of the General Accounting Office, as saying Alyeska "won't give us access to records and we aren't sure we have the authority to subpoena them."

The GAO is conducting the federal investigation with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The Times quoted a spokesman for Alyeska as saying the company "will cooperate in any appropriate way" and had "not refused to cooperate with anybody." He would not comment on complaints by federal investigators that the company did refuse to cooperate, the newspaper said.

Robert Breeze, state pipeline commissioner, said the state stands to lose \$400 million in revenues.

"We want to know why the pipeline was estimated to cost less than \$1 billion in 1969 and now likely will cost closer to \$10 billion," Breeze said.

criminal case does not privilege a state to impose a punishment otherwise forbidden by the 8th Amendment," White said.

Marshall agreed, but also said the record does not show Gilmore properly waived his appeal rights.

Blackmun separately said the

application for further stay should have a speedy hearing. Stevens and Rehnquist filed a brief joint statement saying "a third party has no standing" to litigate a claim that a law violates the Constitution's ban on cruel and unusual punishment.

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Another arrest seen in arms discovery

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Authorities said today a second arrest was expected soon in the discovery of tons of military weapons supposedly buried by a racist paramilitary group.

Meanwhile, the first suspect arrested, foundry operator Donald G. Wiggins, 41, who had been freed on bail, was rearrested on more charges.

An all points bulletin was issued Monday for David Edward Williamson, 31, who sheriff's deputies said rented a mountain cabin where 2 tons of military weapons were found abandoned, strewn over hillsides.

The armament was in addition to the 8 tons of weapons linked to Wiggins — 5 tons found buried in the Mojave desert and 3 tons dug up at his home and foundry in Ontario in neighboring San Bernardino County.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's office said Williamson, formerly of Reno, Nev., was known to be driving a camper with Nevada license plates, and his arrest was "imminent."

Williamson was reported to have been seen firing a machine gun in Lone Pine Canyon near Wrightwood in the mountain resort area west of Los Angeles, the sheriff's office said.

A ton of machine guns, hand grenades and other weapons had been dumped in the area, officers said, apparently thrown down hillsides with no attempt at concealment.

Wiggins, who had been released Sunday on \$15,000 bail under Los Angeles county charges of possession of illegal weapons for the discoveries in the Mojave desert, was back in jail on San Bernardino county charges, filed after the discoveries at his home and foundry, with bail set at \$50,000.

Los Angeles County Sheriff Peter Pitchess said buried weapons appeared to be the arsenal of a racist paramilitary group, citing the anti-black, anti-semitic and anti-commu-

nist literature found with the weapons.

Material found so far includes ground-to-air antiaircraft missiles, machine guns up to .50-caliber, mortars, bazookas, ingredients to make napalm and poison gas, pistols, hand grenades and other war materiel.

Discoveries continued. Army experts and sheriff's deputies found 30 gallons of buried gasoline Monday in the area of the four underground concrete bunkers where most of the weapons were located after the children of hikers found ammunition that had been uncovered by wind-blown sands.

State accuses debt agencies

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The state has accused two more major debt collection agencies of using "illegal threats, falsehoods and misrepresentation" in collecting unpaid bills and moved to revoke their licenses.

Douglas Faigin, chief of the collection and investigative services section of the state Department of Consumer Affairs, Monday cited 23 causes of action against the Orange County and San Francisco firms of G.C. Services Corp.

Two other major collection companies — American Financial of Los Angeles County and American Financial of Orange County — were similarly accused Nov. 16.

Also accused of illegal collection practices were 26 managers, officers and collectors connected with the four firms. The state seeks a revocation of their licenses.

Faigin said the collectors of the San Francisco company told one debtor she should go on welfare or kill herself, while another collector from the same firm identified himself as an FBI agent.

He said a collector from the Orange County firm of G.C. Services threatened to find out where an alleged debtor worked so he could "take care" of her.

Faigin described the company policy as "a blueprint for misrepresentation that instructs collectors to make false statements to debtors for the stated purpose of convincing the debtor that he or she is being sued or that the alleged debt is being referred to the sheriff for legal action."

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Scientists await data from Viking

PASADENA (UPI) — Space scientists at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory waited today for data collected by the two Viking robot laboratories on Mars during a month-long communications blackout.

Radio links with the landers were reestablished Monday, ending a month's silent hibernation.

The orbit of Mars swung around to the other side of the sun from Earth last month, blocking communications until the orbits became favorable again and scientists sent a radio wake-up call activating the robots Monday.

Lander 1 responded first, sending back engineering data indicating it was operating correctly.

"The engineering data tells how healthy the spacecraft is," a JPL spokesman said. "It looks good."

Information was scheduled to arrive today from the laboratories' space craft, still orbiting the Red Planet. The first scientific data is scheduled to be retrieved from Viking 1 Thursday and Viking 2 Friday.

Scientists hope the Viking 2 seismograph recorded a "Marsquake" believed to have happened during the November blackout. It would be the first recording of a Marsquake. Meanwhile, the most cele-

brated mission of the Viking program — to seek for indications of life on Mars — remained in the background, at least temporarily. Scientists said contradictory information gathered by the probes' life detection instruments have left scientists undecided on whether any life forms exist, or ever could have existed, on the cold, dusty planet.

"Putting the facts all together, they do not rigorously prove the presence of life on Mars and they do not rigorously disprove the presence of life on Mars," said Dr. Harold Klein, chief biologist for the \$1 billion mission.

Prinze sued

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Freddie Prinze, 22, who plays a Mexican-American mechanic on the television series "Chico and the Man," was sued for divorce Monday by his wife of 15 months, Kathy Elaine, 28.

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Relatives of Getty to get huge dividend

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Relatives of the late oil billionaire J. Paul Getty are entitled to a \$3.1 million dividend which Monday was ruled not a part of the Getty estate by Superior Court Judge Neil A. Lake.

The money was the quarterly Getty Oil Co. dividend that Getty would have received as income from the 1934 trust of his late mother, Sarah C. Getty.

The dividend was declared on May 5 but payable on June 10, four days after Getty died in London at the age of 83.

Edward A. Landry, attorney for Title Insurance and Trust Co., asked Lake to decide if the money should become a part of the Getty estate or distributed to his successors as income from the 1934 trust.

Lake ruled in a half-page decision that the dividend had not been "available for distribution" until after Getty's death and therefore could not be included in his estate.

Ministers from the 13-member Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries are gathering in Doha for a meeting Wednesday generally expected to result in an oil price increase.

The size of the price hike will determine the cost of running an auto, heating a home, or keeping a factory on its feet.

A 10 per cent increase in the price of oil would add about \$12 billion to the world's annual bills, according to official U.S. figures.

In union with the other Arab states on the Persian Gulf, Qatar is in a position to say how high the price should go. Saudi Arabia, the largest country on the Gulf, is publicly on record as wanting no more than a 10 per cent increase.

The Gulf's position has prevailed in the past. Many experts believe it will prevail this week as well, and that "hawks" such as Iran, with its demand for a 15 per cent increase, and Iraq, demanding 25 per cent, will eventually accept Saudi Arabia's figure.

What makes the Gulf producers so influential is the fact they can control prices by increasing or decreasing pro-

duction. With more profits than they need, they reportedly oppose any increase that would damage the economies of Western countries — on which their development depends and where their petrodollar profits are invested.

The European Common market warned recently that anything more than a "moderate" increase will stunt its economic progress and battle against unemployment and inflation. The United States says no increase is justified.

In preparation for the ministerial meeting, OPEC's economic commission met to discuss the question of price differentials for different grades

of oil — a cause of friction within the oil cartel.

The current OPEC price is \$11.51 a barrel for Arabian light crude oil, which serves as a benchmark for pricing other grades of oil.

The OPEC countries say Western inflation, which has driven up the price of their imports, has made an increase necessary even though oil has gone up in price five times since 1973.

The ministerial meeting will take place in the Gulf Hotel, which has been turned into a virtual armed camp to prevent a repetition of last year's terrorist attack on OPEC's Vienna headquarters.

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Sustaining defective baby wrong

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Life support equipment should be withdrawn from a severely defective infant unable "to participate in human experience," according to two medical ethics specialists at the University of California.

They said Monday that sustaining life by artificial means was wrong in the case of "an infant who cannot survive infancy or who will live in intractable pain or who cannot participate even minimally in human experience."

They said their "most controversial" conclusion was that extraordinary life-sustaining efforts should be discontinued for babies who are deemed "unable to participate in human experience."

The authors, Prof. Albert Jonsen, a former Jesuit priest and former president of the University of San Francisco, and Michael Garland, ethics professor at the University of California Medical School, said a decision in such cases required "a projection" on the part of the deciding doctor.

In deciding whether to cease the use of life-sustaining equipment, they said, "the independent moral value of every infant requires cautious interpretation" of the baby's chances.

"In doubtful cases it is better to err on the side of sustaining life."

They said the physician has "two clients, the infant and the parents." Morally, these ultimate decisions usually lie with the parents, the report said, but sometimes it is the physician's duty to make them.

They cited the situation of a mongoloid baby who "although sure to be mentally deficient," they said, "such a baby should be given life-sustaining therapy as a rule whenever needed."

But they said "an encephalic baby (born without a developed brain) should not be resuscitated or sustained."

One factor in such decisions, they said, is the use of limited resources.

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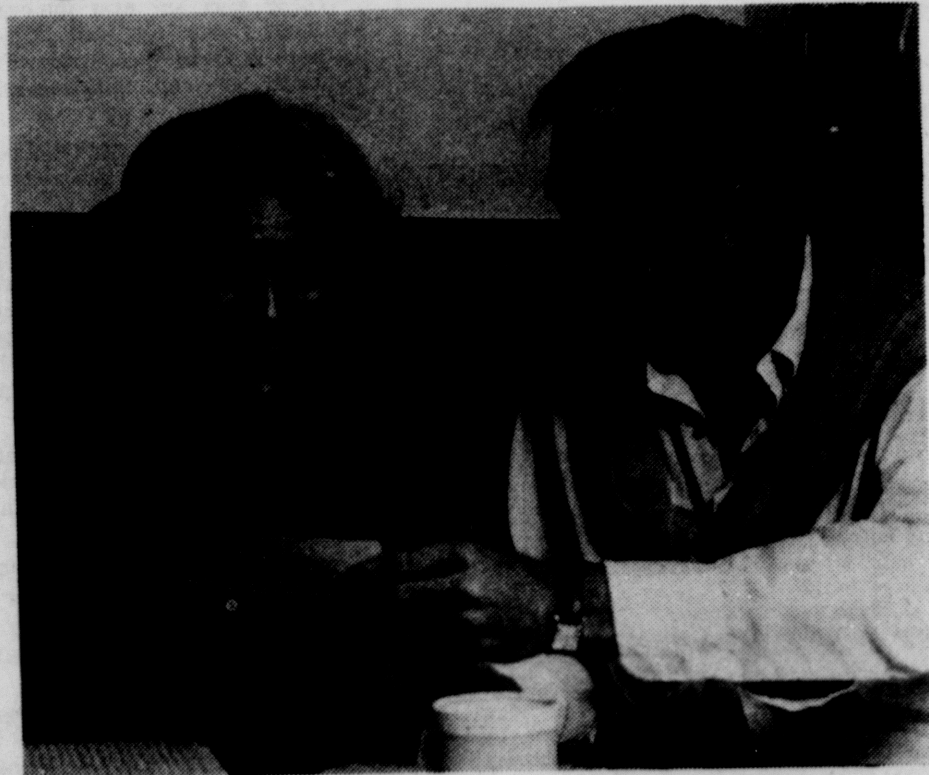
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ALVIN GILMORE, left, and Monte Bolinger, above, are two of the many local athletes whose accomplishments are noted in the new '77 CIF Southern Section "Press Guide and Record Book." Gilmore now runs for UCLA; Bolinger, forced out of pro ball with a leg injury, currently lives in Long Beach.

He's staying—for now

Seaver true blue to Mets

By MILTON RICHMAN
UPI Sports Editor

NEW YORK (UPI) — Tom Seaver was waiting around to have his car serviced when the fellow who runs the place, a man he has known for some time, asked him how come he hadn't played out his option and gotten himself a quick two or three million the same way a number of other players had.

"That's the same question my father asked me," said the Mets' three-time Cy Young Award winner. "I'll tell you the same thing I told him," Seaver said to the automobile man. "There's something called loyalty. My mother agreed with me."

Seaver has a good contract with the Mets, one of the best there is, in fact. He gets better than \$220,000 a year for three years and has a conditional clause enabling him to top even that. Good as his contract is, he's fully aware he could've gotten himself even more money had he not signed back on with the Mets last spring after a long, sometimes bitter exchange between him and the club during salary negotiations.

"I feel that I have to have some sense of loyalty even though I question my own judgment when I think back to last spring and remember how the Mets said they were considering trading me because of my salary negotiations with them," Seaver says.

The Mets' ace will be 32 this Friday. He has been a 20-game winner four times in 10 years and although he

had only a 14-11 log last season, only two others were able to better his 2.59 ERA and he led the National League with 235 strikeouts. It was the fifth time in the past seven years he did that and the ninth straight year he struck out 200 or more batters. No other major league pitcher has ever done that before.

Under the way things are set up now, Seaver will be able to play out his option with the Mets when his current contract ends two years from now.

"I don't want to play out my option," he says, "but I'll cross that bridge when I come to it. I'm not being an angel about it; I'm being a realist."

Seaver knows what fellows like Reggie Jackson, Joe Rudi, Don Gullett and Bobby Grich received to sign with new clubs as free agents and he has heard how some feel all this sudden free spending in baseball is getting out of hand.

"Generally, you only hear one side of the story," he says. "What about the other side? For the first time in history, ballplayers have some say in the direction baseball is going, in their game. That's good, but they also have to recognize their own responsibility in all this."

Does he have some personal reaction to all the millions being spent on ballplayers?

Yes, he has, and he goes back to the negotiations of last spring, the ones between the owners and Marvin Miller, representing the Players' Association.

"I think back to those negotiation sessions when we were talking across the table, and the owners told Marvin 'we need a reserve clause.' Marvin said, 'Why? To protect you from yourselves?' I remember those words very distinctly. In that sense, he was positively prophetic."

What Tom Seaver is saying is that if anyone is at fault for all this lavish spending, it's the owners, not the players, and of course, he's absolutely right. Not only does Marvin Miller say the same thing, so does Charlie Finley and all the other owners.

The owners all want to win, but they don't wish to pay the price. Unfortunately for them, winning doesn't come cheaply. It's so expensive, that even spending a great deal of money doesn't automatically guarantee victory.

Seaver's club, the Mets, was interested in some of the free agents like Jackson and Gary Matthews, but they weren't aggressive enough. They didn't wish to alter the salary structure of the entire club, an idea which had merit providing other clubs were willing to do the same thing. So the Mets hung back a little too long, and in the end they wound up getting none of the free agents. Seaver rather wishes they had.

"Our ball club has as good a pitching staff as you can find anywhere," he says. "But we need help. I was certainly hopeful we'd get some, but it's their money and they spend it as they see fit."

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Sports News

Scott Ostler, Editor

Kentucky's experience paying off

United Press International
The heart of Kentucky's basketball team has been playing together for three years. South Carolina's young team found out Monday night how good the Wildcats have become.

Third-ranked Kentucky routed South Carolina 98-67, the worst beating the Gamecocks ever suffered at Carolina Coliseum since it opened in the 1968-69 season. South Carolina's worst defeat at home before Monday night was a seven-point loss to Notre Dame last year.

"These kids are now juniors," said Kentucky Coach Joe Hall. "They have matured in front of our eyes. They are more and more coming to dominate good teams."

In winning its fifth game without a loss and 14th straight since last season, Kentucky jumped to a 10-0 lead and a 52-34 halftime margin. South Carolina, which returned only two experienced players from last year's 18-9 team, didn't score until Jackie Gilloon hit two free throws 3:13 into the game. The Gamecocks did not score from the field until 4:38 had elapsed, when Golie Augustus scored to make the score 14-4.

"We shot 67 per cent in the first and played good defense, too," Hall said. "There aren't a lot of teams that can keep up with that."

Junior Jack Givens led Kentucky with 28 points, followed by junior Mike Phillips with 23. Senior Larry Johnson scored 16 points and freshman Jay Shidler had 10.

Giloon scored 17 points and freshman center Jim Graziano 16 for South Carolina, now 1-3. In other action, Bob Elmore's 22 points helped Wichita State hand Long Beach State its first defeat in six games, 83-78; Illinois edged Cleveland State 72-70 to gain its fifth victory in six games; Carl McPipe scored 25 points to lead Nebraska to an 88-53 triumph over Northwest Missouri State; Matt Hicks had 26 points to spark Northern Illinois to an 81-57 victory over Wisconsin; freshman Dean Uthoff scored 22 points and grabbed 19 rebounds to power Iowa State to a 78-70 win over California, and Ron Jones scored nine points in the final five minutes to help Texas-El Paso hold off New Mexico State 82-69.

New California football league taking shape

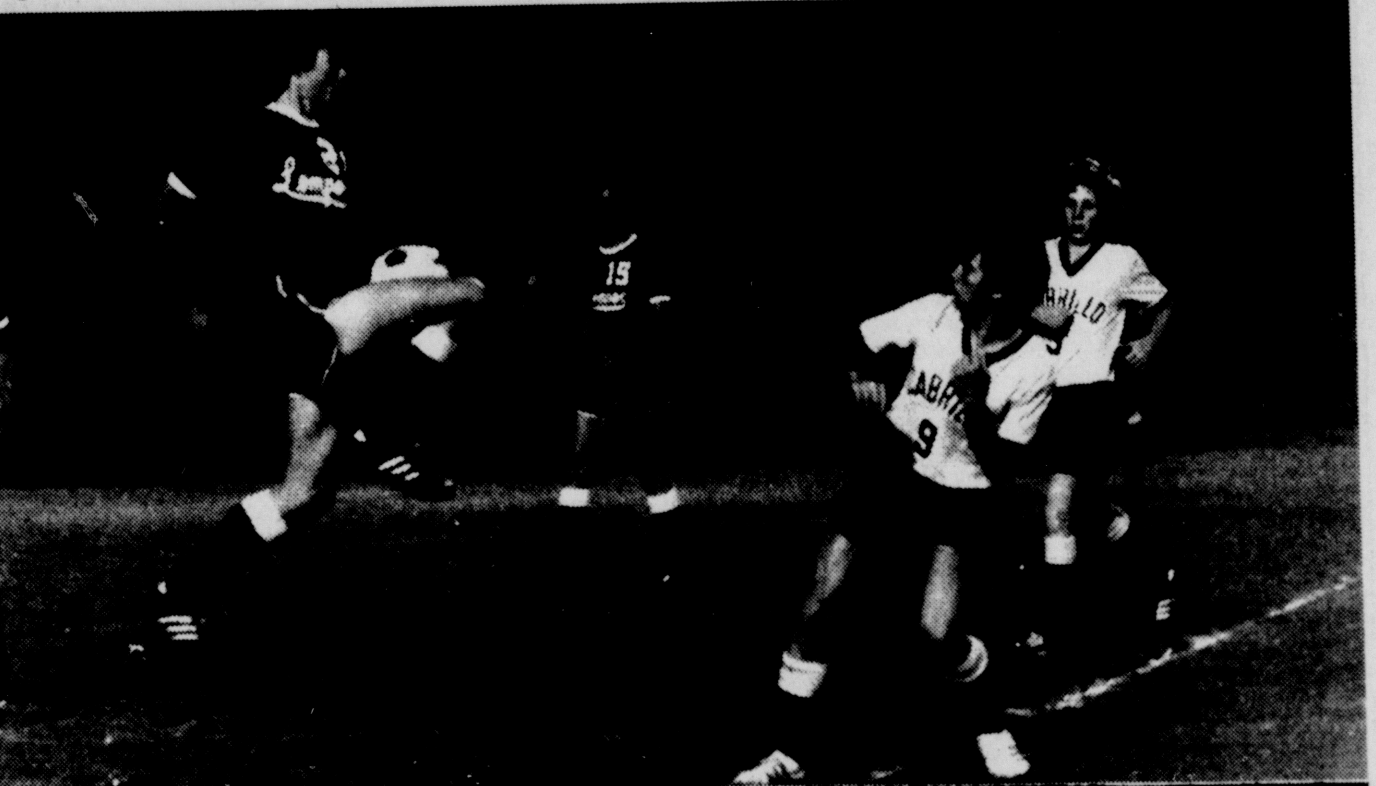
FAIRFIELD (UPI) — The California Football League is off and running.

A CFL spokesman said Monday night that 11 of 12 teams have paid their dues and are now officially in the minor league organization, which is to begin exhibition play in mid July.

The two divisions have shaped up as follows:

Southern California Division: Edwards Air Force Base Rattlers; Las Vegas Norsemen; San Gabriel Valley Saints; Southern California Rhinos; and Ventura County Oaks. A sixth team is still to be named.

Northern California Division: Fairfield Flyers; Sacramento Condors; Salinas Aztecs; Twin City (Yuba City-Marysville) Muskrats; San Jose and Stockton.



LOMPOC VALLEY soccer fans got their first taste of high school night soccer last night as Lompoc and Cabrillo met at Huyck Stadium in a Northern League game. Top photo, a Lompoc player traps the ball as two Conqs look on. Bottom photo, it's anybody's ball. The Braves won 4-1.

Photos by Dale Fink.

Arizona schools invited to Pac-8

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — It'll soon be the Pacific-10.

The already prestigious Pacific-8 Conference Monday formally extended membership invitations to Arizona State and Arizona of the Western Athletic Conference.

Following announcement of the Pac-8 decision, ASU President Dr. John Schwada and his University of Arizona counterpart, Dr. John P. Schaefer, were contacted in Arizona where they expressed delight.

Schwada repeatedly emphasized the invitation must still be formally accepted by the state Board of Regents, who meet Friday.

ASU and Arizona also face the threat of a WAC instituted suit that would require them to fulfill football commitments drawn up through the 1980s.

"Naturally, we are very pleased," said Schwada. "We feel we will be a valuable addition to that conference, and we will give the invitation full consideration."

"This concludes a long series of negotiations," said Schaefer. "We welcome both the challenge and the opportunity."

The Pac-8 decision was cast with an eye toward improving athletic budgets and despite the apparent reluctance of the conference members in the Pacific Northwest.

UCLA Chancellor Charles Young, speaking for the Pac-8 President's Council, said the invitation is valid until May 1, 1977, when the Pac-8 council holds its next meeting.

In soothing the feelings of the four Northwest universities — Washington, Washington State, Oregon and Oregon State — Young added, "It is the conviction of all members of the conference

that this is not a move in any way to realign, but to add two new members."

A spokesman for Washington said prior to the four-day conference meeting he was opposed to expanding because he felt the four Northwest universities, the weakest link in the conference, would be cast aside.

Under the guidelines approved by the presidents, a minimum of seven conference games must be played to qualify for the conference football championship with ASU and Arizona becoming eligible for the Rose Bowl in 1978. Eventually, the conference hopes to work up an eight-game schedule.

The admission requirement also stated that if the Arizona universities cannot comply with the required minimum seven-game football schedule until 1982, they will be allowed to enter conference competition in other sports.

As an added incentive for conference members lukewarm to the Arizona admissions, the presidents' council said the 50-50 split of gross receipts in football will be retained.

In basketball, an 18-game conference schedule will be played on a double round-robin, home-and-home basis. The baseball schedule calls for a divisional North-South alignment with the conference seeking automatic qualification for winners in the NCAA Tournament.

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TONIGHT:
Basketball—Dos Pueblos at Lompoc, Carpinteria at Cabrillo, 7:30 p.m.

TOMORROW:
No events scheduled.

Familiar names in record book

The Lompoc Valley has made large contributions to the CIF Southern Section record book.

Following is a list of all the Valley athletes and teams who currently hold Southern Section records, or who have won team or individual championships in Southern Section history.

SS stands for Southern Section (roughly, all of Southern California except for San Diego and L.A. city areas). All records are Southern Section, unless otherwise indicated.

Honored individuals

Monte Bolinger (Lompoc) was named 3-A Player of the Year in baseball in '70. Janet Jeffers (Lompoc) was named 3-A Player of the Year in softball in '76.

Records

Baseball

Lompoc ('70-'71) has the most consecutive league wins, with 36. Lompoc has the second most consecutive overall wins, with 36. Chaffey ('56-'58) holds record with 38.

Basketball

Mandy Simmons (Cabrillo '74-'76) is 7th on all time career assist list with 431. Rich Branning (Marina '73-'75) is tops with 625.

Track and field

Terry Williams ran a 4:08.4 mile in '73, which stands as the SS championship meet record and also the 3-A meet record.

Williams' 8:54.8 two-mile in '72 is 10th best on the all-time SS list.

Alvin Gilmore (Lompoc, '73) ran a 4:08.2 mile in '73, 6th best on the all-time SS list, and Williams' 4:08.2 is 8th best.

Charles Jackson (Lompoc, '71) ran 13.6 in the 120 high hurdles, 2nd best time in the SS history.

Swimming—Cabrillo won the SS medley relay (1:41.0) in '72. Gary Anderson (Cabrillo) won the 50 freestyle (21.8) in '73.

Attendance

The Lompoc-Nogales playoff game at Anaheim Stadium in '74, half of a doubleheader, drew 7,240 fans, 3rd largest baseball crowd in SS history. In '71, Lompoc vs. El Segundo, as half of a doubleheader, drew 6,493.

Team and individual champs

(3-A division; unless otherwise noted)

Baseball—Lompoc '70, Lompoc '74. Runner-up in '71. Cross country—Lompoc won the 2-A title in '69, the 3-A title in '70, and the 4-A title in '71 and '72. Terry Williams (Lompoc) won the 3-A individual championship in '70 and the 4-A championship in '72. Jim Schankel (Lompoc) won the 3-A championship in '73.

Football—Lompoc was runner-up to Edison in '70.

Softball—Cabrillo won the title in '76. Lompoc was runner-up.

Swimming—Cabrillo won the SS medley relay (1:41.0) in '72. Gary Anderson (Cabrillo) won the 50 freestyle (21.8) in '73.

Track and field—Lompoc won the SS overall title in '71. Lompoc was 3-A runner-up in '73. Lompoc won the state meet in '71 (Charlie Jackson scored all the team's points). Alvin Gilmore (Lompoc) was SS mile runner-up in '73 in 4:11.4. Terry Williams (Lompoc) was SS (8:56.2) and state (8:54.8) champ in the 2-mile in '73. Charlie Jackson was SS (19.2) and state (18.5w) champ in the 180 lows in '71. Jackson was also SS (14.1) and state (13.6w) champ in the 120 highs in '71. Terri Herigstad (Lompoc) was SS 80-yard lows champ (11.5) in '74. Roland Solomon (Cabrillo) won the 3-A meet 180 lows in '74 in 19.3.

Wrestling—Benje Williams (Cabrillo) won the 98-pound title in '73; Marvin Cook (Lompoc) won the 106-pound title in '71.

Water polo—Cabrillo won the 3-A title in '76.

You could look it up...

The biannual CIF Southern Section "Press Guide and Record Book" is just off the presses.

The 1977 edition has expanded from 68 to 102 pages, containing records and new information on all 23 sports offered by the CIF Southern Section for boys and girls competition, dating as far back as 1913.

The CIF has uncovered a number of records buried but never reported since the last edition of two years back. They have also increased the number of record categories in other sports for the most comprehensive publication in their history.

Copies are available at \$2.50 each, plus postage, by writing the CIF-SS Office and enclosing a check or money order as follows: Mailing under third class is \$3.25, while first class mailing is \$3.95. Make your check or money order payable to the CIF-SS, P.O. Box 488, Artesia, Ca. 90701.



KEVIN DRAKE, all-CIF in two sports, slides into Bobby Grossini of '70 Lompoc CIF champs.



Evert's tops in a top crop

NEW YORK (UPI) — In a year dominated by outstanding performances by women athletes, tennis star Chris Evert reigns as queen.

The 21-year-old Evert beat out a long list of Olympic gold medalists and cracked a previously male-dominated circle Monday when she was named Sports Illustrated magazine.

The magazine's editors chose Evert over female stars such as figure skater Dorothy Hamill, gymnast Nadia Comaneci, golfer Judy Rankin, skier Rosi Mittermaier and male performers such as baseball's Joe Morgan, basketball's Julius Erving, college football's Tony Dorsett, and Olympic decathlon gold medalist Bruce Jenner.

Evert, a winner of \$375,000 on the circuit last year and the women's singles titlist at both Wimbledon and Forest Hills, was selected for the award because of the way she dominated her sport and because she "symbolized in character and performance the ideals of sportsmanship."

"I'm more surprised than anyone," said Evert. "Whenever there's an Olympic year someone comes out of the woodwork who gets a lot of publicity. This year Dorothy Hamill and Nadia Comaneci got a lot of publicity. In my mind, it was a woman's year. People are starting to appreciate women athletes more than ever."

Evert is only the second woman to be honored in the 23-year history of the award and the first to win outright. Billie Jean King, who preceded Evert as kingpin of women's tennis, shared the award in 1972 with ex-UCLA basketball coach John Wooden.

McNeese wins hard way

SHREVEPORT, La. (UPI) — McNeese State had to make its bid for a little football respectability the hard way.

Sixteen players on the Southland Conference championship team had been suspended for disciplinary reasons before the first Independence Bowl game Monday night and the Cowboys' starting quarterback was injured in the game's opening minutes.

But despite the missing players McNeese still managed to score in the final minute for a 20-16 win over Tulsa — a victory which Cowboys coach Jack Doland said shows his team can compete with anybody.

The 16 suspended players, including six starters, were disciplined because of a dormitory incident. Doland refused to elaborate on the reason for the suspensions.

Rams healthy for Dallas

LONG BEACH (UPI) — Starting quarterback Pat Haden is listed as doubtful but the Los Angeles Rams say they're healthy otherwise for their NFL playoff opener at Dallas Sunday.

Haden, a rookie, was hurt in the opening quarter of a 20-17 Rams victory at Detroit Saturday night.

Starting offensive tackle Doug France suffered a knee injury in the Detroit game, starting tight end Bob Klein a sprained big toe and reserve cornerback Pat Thomas a bruised calf but all are expected to be ready for this weekend.

Final NFL regular season statistics showed second-year cornerback Monte Jackson led the league with 10 pass interceptions while kickoff returner Cullen Bryant, with a 28.7-yard average, and quarterback James Harris, with a 89.8 rating, ranked first in departments in the NFC.

If Haden can't play this weekend, Harris will start. The Rams, who did not practice Monday, will work out today, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning. They're scheduled to leave for Dallas by plane Friday at 3 p.m. PST.

Village CC men's golf

By ED GANSTER
A field of 33 teams entered Sunday's two-man Horseshoe at the Village Country Club.

The format called for each team's combined handicap to be no smaller than 37, low-handicapper teeing off on odd-numbered holes and his partner on the even holes.

Les Hutchison and Tom Melgaard won, with Bill Teller and Gene Gillespie second and Jack Lynd and Bill Bedell in the show position.

Other Village results:
Wednesday 2-best-balls-foursome—Lee Irvine, Bill Perry, Art Harmon and Preston Smith won with a 23-under-par 121.

Friday seniors 2-best-balls-foursome—Bill Bedell, Herb Shears, Ed Olson and John Flaherty took first with a 118, 26-under. In second at 21-under was Vern Tyler, Ken Berquist, Floyd Rich and Bill Stewart.
Saturday morning 2-best-balls-foursome—Ed Rogers, John Kane, Chris Higson and

Stanford aide is 49er coach

LONG BEACH (UPI) — Dave Currey, a seven-year assistant coach at Stanford, Monday was named as the head football coach at Long Beach State, succeeding Wayne Howard.

Howard resigned last week to go to University of Utah.

Currey, 33, a native of Toronto, coached under John Ralston and Jack Christiansen at Stanford. He coached the Cardinals' offensive backs this past season.

He played football at South Pasadena High School, Glendale Junior College and Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.

Youth soccer results

Division II
Treads 6, Braves 0. Goals: Mike Kranz 4, Brian Wallace 2. Top players: T—Buddy Luxton, Brian Bazill.

Rowdies 8, Pirates 0. Goals: Dan Juenke 2, Steve O'Brien 2, Dan Bacote, Clark Ortiz, Ron Stewart, M. Swartz. Top players: P—Mike Brown, Jesus Sandoval.

Division IV
Snipers 4, Spartans 0. Goals: Reynaldo Fernandez 2, Bobby Carpenter 2. Top players: Sp—Ramona Carpio, Rigoberto Zepeda; Sn—Joel McComb, Scott Powell.

Aztecs 2, Bullets 0. Goals: Mark McGuire, Chris Lane. Top players: A—Kirby Rodriguez.

Trojans 0, Cobras 0.
Standings (points): Group A—Snipers 5, Glaziers 4, Aztecs 3, Spartans 0. Group B—Trojans 3, Bullets 2, Cobras 1.

Division V
Thunderbirds 2, Panthers 2. Goals: T—Helen Gibbons, Mike Barrow; P—Jeff Baskett 2. Top players: P—Ed Bearden, Dave Cohn, Darryll Whaley, Steve Wilson; T—Aaron Flammand, Kurt Schmidt.

Jets 3, Warriors 0. Goals: Dave White, Billy Lange, Chris Kusulas. Top players: W—Jesse Lee; J—Sean Coughlin, Todd Lowery, Stacey Harner.

Dragons 5, Raiders 2. Goals: D—Keith Anderson 2, Jon Onstad, Juan Gonzalez, Sergio Monreal; R—Rodney Humble, Audrey Coleman. Top players: R—Ken Klein, Brennan Mitchell.

Blue Falcons 6, Cosmos 1. Goals: BF—Scott Stutch 2, John Heter, Frank Centeno, Grant Valenzona, John Montoya; C—Leslie Svoboda. Top players: BF—Brent Gilstrap, Paul Bombersbach, Timmy Blakesboro; C—Marty Speer, Richie Humes.

Demons 8, Rookies 0. Goals: Eric Ornelas 2, George Porter 3, Richard Kranz, 2 Steve Ellenbrook. Top players: D—Chris Horn, Ruth Weaver.

Vikings 2, Falcons 0. Goals: Scott Kennedy, Pat Thompson. Top players: F—Brian Janssen, Jude Hahn; V—Dennis Bolock, Larry Jacinto.

Standings (points): Group A—Panthers 3, Broncos 3, Thunderbirds 1, Cosmos 1. Group B—Jets 6, Demons 6, Warriors 2, Rookies 0. Group C—Dragons 6, Blue Falcons 4, Falcons 2, Vikings 2, Raiders 0.

Division VI
Fireballs 1, Steelers 1. Goals: F—Darrell Bickmore; S—Chad May. Top players: S—Brenda Larson, Dale Craig.

Flyers 3, Silver Chargers 0. Goals: Bryan Boyer, Eric Shiers, Mike Van Camp. Top players: F—Jim Clancy, Chris Salmi.

Green Hornets 6, Blue Devils 1. Goals: GH—Shane Allen 4, Mike Wizeorek 2; BD—Unk. Top players: GH—Eric Homes, Mike Lucas.

Bullets 4, Warriors 0. Goals: Matt Rich 2, Mike Skov, Matt Rosen. Top players: B—Paul Aragon, Eric Gilstrap; W—John Bodary; W—Guy Valenzona, Jason Thompson.

Chargers 3, Striders 3. Goals: C—David Carey 3; S—Steve Dupree 2, Don MacKenzie. Top players: C—Miguel Martinez, Mick Scolari, Richard Cornford, Tom Cornford; S—Bobby Campbell, Kathy Kusulus, Marc Barajas.

Standings (points): Group A—Flyers 4, Green Hornets 4, Silver Chargers 0, Golden Eagles 2, Blue Devils 0. Group B—Bullets 6, Warriors 3, Steelers 3, Striders 2, Fireballs 1, Chargers 1.

City hoop

"B" League
Vargas Jewellers 61, Lions Inn 47, Mike McDonald (V) 19, Bill Mauer (L) 15, Gary Gordon (V) 14.
Mission Federal 63, McDonalds 60, Wayne Brown (Mc) 23, Glenn Abrahamsen (M) 26.

Michigan opens Rose workouts

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (UPI) — The Michigan Wolverines Monday began practice in sub-freezing temperatures in preparation for the New Year's Day Rose Bowl game against Southern California, and outgoing assistant coach Gary Moeller said he really wants Michigan to win.

"I'm looking at this kind of like a senior—this is going to be my last game and I want to make sure it's a good one," said Moeller.



THE SIGN SAYS "Welcome Visitors," but Santa Ynez defenders Eric Rasmussen (left) and Steve Arellano (right) and a teammate are trying to make a Bishop Diego player feel anything but

welcome in this play in Friday's game at Santa Ynez. But the Bishop Diego Cardinals made themselves right at home anyway, beating their hosts 54-49.

Photos by Joanne Rife.

Irish climb to 4th

NEW YORK (UPI) — The United Press International Board of Coaches' college basketball ratings with won-lost records through games of Saturday, Dec. 11, and number of first place votes in parentheses:

Team	(Second Week)	Points
1. Michigan (21) (3-0)	388	
2. Marquette (16) (4-0)	367	
3. Kentucky (3) (4-0)	301	
4. Notre Dame (1) (5-0)	262	
5. San Francisco (7-0)	188	

6. North Carolina (4-1)	142
7. Alabama (4-0)	128
8. Arizona (1) (7-0)	127
9. Cincinnati (5-0)	100
10. UCLA (3-1)	72
11. Nevada-Las Vegas (4-1)	69
12. Wake Forest (5-0)	34
13. Maryland (3-1)	23
14. Clemson (4-0)	15
15. Syracuse (5-1)	11
16. So. Illinois (5-1)	9
17. Purdue (4-2)	8
18. Minnesota (4-0)	7
19. Indiana (1-2)	6
20. Oregon (3-1)	5

Jones, 6 Colts named All-AFC

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Baltimore Colts won only two games in two years... and then along came Bert Jones.

Jones, the young quarterback who became a team leader early this season when he interceded with management for the return of Coach Ted Marchibroda after he was fired, went on to lead Baltimore to an 11-3 record and the Eastern Division title for the second straight year.

On Monday, Jones and six other Colts were selected to United Press International's 1976 American Football Conference All-Star team.

Jones received 29 votes to easily outdistance Oakland's Ken Stabler. Stabler received just five votes as runnerup from the 42-man voting board, composed of three writers from each of the 14 AFC cities.

Other members of the Colt offense selected were running back Lydell Mitchell, the leading vote-getter with 32, wide receiver Roger Carr, tackle George Kunz and place-kicker Toni Linhart. Chosen from Baltimore's defense were end John Dutton and tackle Joe Ehrmann.

Buffalo's O.J. Simpson, who had a sensational final month of the season to win the NFL rushing title for the fourth time in the last five years, nosed out Pittsburgh's Franco Harris by a vote for the other running back slot.

Oakland, the Western Division champion, and Pittsburgh, which won nine consecutive

games to overtake Cincinnati for the Central title, each placed four players on the team.

Named from Oakland were wide receiver Cliff Branch, tight end Dave Casper, tackle Art Shell and punter Ray Guy. The four Steelers were all defensive players — outside linebacker Jack Ham, middle linebacker Jack Lambert, cornerback Mel Blount and strong safety Mike Wagner.

Also chosen on the offensive line were New England's John Hannah and Buffalo's Joe DeLamielleure at guard and Jim Langer of Miami at center.

Cincinnati veteran Coy Bacon, who had a league-high 26 quarterback sacks, was named at the other defensive end and Cleveland's Jerry Sherk joined Ehrmann at tackle. Houston's Robert Brazile was selected at the remaining outside linebacker slot, rookie Mike Haynes of New England joined Blount at cornerback and Tommy Casanova of the Bengals was voted in at free safety.

Oakland and Pittsburgh had five players each named to the second team and Cincinnati had four selected.

Jones threw 24 touchdown passes this season and Carr caught 11 of them. Mitchell caught three TD passes and ran for five more scores for the Colts and Simpson set an NFL record Thanksgiving Day with a 273-yard effort, the best single game rushing performance ever.

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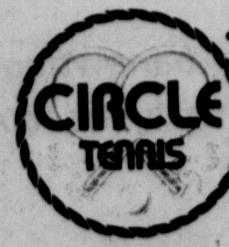


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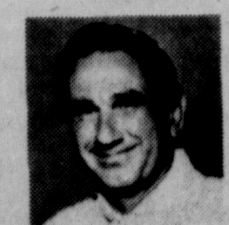


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Brown mum Carter officially certified on death penalty

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr., an opponent of the death penalty, refused to say Monday whether he would sign or veto any bill to reinstate capital punishment in California.

Brown told newsmen in Los Angeles and Sacramento it was too soon after the state Supreme Court's ruling declared the death penalty law unconstitutional for him to state a position on a new law.

Reiterating that he was still a foe of capital punishment, Brown refused to say whether he would support or oppose efforts to get a new death penalty bill through the legislature.

"I won't prematurely involve myself in the legislative process," he said, adding the "process needs a little fermentation."

General raps documentary

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The commander of the California National Guard says the nation's military reserve system should be given equal time to correct the "distortions" in an NBC documentary on the reserves.

Maj. Gen. Frank Schober, who heads the 26,000-member Air and Army Guard, Monday said the documentary concentrated "its attention on malcontents and inferior performers" in reserve units around the nation.

"I think we should get equal time to answer the distortions and half-truths," he said. "This is the kind of presentation that tends to lead the American people down a primrose path to national insecurity."

The hour-long program, "NBC Reports: The Sometime Soldiers," dealt with problems plaguing the reserves and National Guard.

United Press International In 51 small ceremonies one critic called "curiously archaic," marred by one Washington state elector who insisted on voting his own preference, Jimmy Carter has formally been certified as the 39th President of the United States by the Electoral College.

With all 50 states reported, the outcome — except for the maverick elector — was as projected on election night: Carter 297; Gerald Ford 240. And one for Ronald Reagan, cast by a Ford elector in Washington.

Carter won the popular vote Nov. 1 by 1,681,417 votes.

The founding fathers, not trusting the citizens to elect the president alone, provided for the Electoral College in the Constitution — mandating that each state have a number of electors equal to their representation in Congress and setting the date for its meeting.

Some state laws mandate that electors vote for the winner in the state's popular vote, but some leave the choice to the elector — leading occasionally, as it did this year, to totals

other than those determined on election night.

In 50 state capitals and the District of Columbia, 538 men and women met to confirm the election results. Their ballots were mailed to Washington to be certified by Congress Jan. 6, two weeks before Carter's inauguration.

The same electors also voted for vice president, picking Democrat Walter Mondale over Republican Robert Dole.

The Electoral College continued to draw criticism, even from its participants.

Secretary of State Gloria Schaffer, presiding at ceremonies in Hartford, Conn., called the device "a colonial anachronism awkwardly surfacing in modern America every four years" which should be done away with.

Commonwealth Secretary C. Delores Tucker said in Harrisburg, Pa., the Electoral College is "curiously archaic" because "a candidate could actually become president by winning the 11 largest states and not a single vote in any of the other 39."

Wisconsin electors voted to

abolish the Electoral College.

Gov. Otis Bowen of Indiana objected to signing his name 18 times. He is a member of the federal committee studying ways to reduce governmental paperwork.

Vermont, the most consistently Republican state in the nation, was the first to cast its electoral vote — and all three went for Ford.

North Carolina vied for having the youngest elector, while Kansas may have had the oldest. Among North Carolina's 13 was Marcie Jones, 18 and in Kansas retired National Guard Col. Arthur Ericson checked in at 87.

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has an advantageous or detrimental effect on property values.
It is a legal right exercised by Federal, State or Municipalities
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Most courts have set standards of compensation based on the
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"severance damage."

If an action actually improves total market value of the remain-
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In any case, no allowance is made for moving expense, lost
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Another effect of Eminent Domain is "inverse condemnation."

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and hope the court agrees with your claim.

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Collectors plates. 71 Four Seasons \$350. 76 Skelton Crown \$44. 76 Hummel stained glass \$30. Others. 734-3825.

Custom built corner desk and drawer unit, 6 drawers, desk space, plus lots of cupboard area. Ideal for childrens bedroom, sewing room or guest room. \$135 firm. Must see to appreciate. 736-5507.

Wanted: Lionel Trains. 733-1443.

Small Ted Williams, tent trailer 63, good for small car. Ph. 736-0486.

H.O. train set. complete, pin ball machine, full size. Yamaha 80, street. 704 E. Hickory, 736-8465.

Leather top coffee table. 2 step end tables, \$40. Tues. & Wed. only before 7 p.m. 733-2533.

Antique furn. Beautiful pieces. Reasonable prices. Terms available. Will hold for x-mas. 733-2259 or 733-1823.

30" White glass top table, 2 chairs, \$30. 733-1566.

Lady Kenmore dishwasher. Avacado, excellent cond., \$125. 10 speed lady's Schwinn Varsity. Excellent cond. \$100. 733-2389 after 5 p.m.

Garage sale. Boat motor and trailer. Conn organ and Leslie speaker, sewing machine with attachments, base-mobile CB, toy Poodle, bicycle, misc. appliances. 3051 Oak Pointe Dr.

10" Craftsman radial arm saw. 1 yr. old. \$140. 736-3580.

Nice metal desk. 32 x 45. 317 W. Chestnut.

Free scrap wood. Still plenty of kindling wood available from remodeling project at 237 So. H Street. Help yourself any evening this week. Inquire at door when you come by.

25" console color tv in good cond. Reasonable. 733-3737.

26" boys 10 speed bicycle. Brand new. 736-0977.

Queen size sofa bed, herculon \$70. Three tables, 2 end tables, 1 coffee \$70. 2 girls bikes. Call 735-1082.

Garage sale. Misc. items Sat. Dec. 18, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. 128 Inverness Ave. Village Country Club.

Quality steel buildings, 22' - 30' - 40' wide, length from 20' on, in 10' sections. Easy to erect. Bud Sluski, 489-2542.

Sale: Precision Nizo Heliomatic 8 (S2R) movie camera. Argus camera/camcorder Cinar lens (50mm). Ansco Cadet II with flash. Sabre 620. All \$75. 33 x 36 bevelled glass mirror. \$18. Edlon race car, large track, 1 car, \$7. 733-1540 after 5 p.m.

Cash back for Christmas sale. \$50 rebate given on the purchase of a 1977 Kirby Classic III vacuum. Free home demonstration. Free carpet shampoo. Free delivery. Call now for appointment, 736-3091, Kirby Company of Lompoc. Offer expires Dec. 24th, 1976.

Sears 36 inch gas stove, griddle and separate broiler, older model, good condition. \$70. 736-2593.

Maytag electric dryer, gold, moved, have to sacrifice, \$245. Used one month. 736-2593.

Ears pierced free with purchase of \$5 24K gold steri studs. Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio, 1020 No. H. 733-1319.

American pool table with acc. Wards 7 mos. old 20 lb. matching washer and dryer, make offer. 736-2132.

36" gas range, griddle in the middle, \$85. Play by number Magnavox organ, \$60. Phone 736-4250 before 2 p.m.

Christmas trees. Many varieties, wide selections. Prices to suit your budget. Many trees from \$3 to \$10. Located between Tag's Sporting Goods and Monte's Auto Parts. 100 block No. H St. Free parking.

Motorcycle Bomber and Scooter jackets of fine quality leather at discount prices. Tevis Togs, La Cumbre Plaza, Open Mon-Fri., 10-9 p.m. Sun. 12-5 p.m. Phone 687-1814.

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Close out sale. Bargains galore, Elmer's Paint & T.V. 129-A No. 1 St.

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Seasoned oak firewood, \$80 a cord, delivered and stacked. Call 736-6495.

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—PUBLIC NOTICE—

ORDINANCE NO. 997(76)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC ADDING ARTICLE III TO CHAPTER 5 OF THE LOMPOC CITY CODE REGULATING BINGO

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Article III is hereby added to Chapter 5 of the Lompoc City Code. A copy of said Article is attached hereto and incorporated herein as though set forth in full.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at 12:01 a.m. on the 31st day after its date of adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lompoc, California, this 7th day of December, 1976 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Charlotte Benton, Elinor Lefkowitz, Joe Valencia, Charles Ward, Mayor E. C. Stevens

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

E.C. Stevens, Mayor, City of Lompoc

ATTEST: Wilma Thomas, City Clerk, City of Lompoc

Article III - Bingo

Sec. 5-30. Title.

The title of this Article shall be the Lompoc City Bingo Ordinance.

Sec. 5-31. Definitions.

(a) Unless the particular provision or the context otherwise requires, the definitions and provisions contained in this section shall govern the construction, meaning and application of words and phrases used in this chapter, and, except to the extent that a particular word or phrase is otherwise specifically defined in this section, the definitions and provisions contained in Chapter 1 of this code also govern the construction, meaning, and application of words and phrases used in this chapter. The definition of each word or phrase shall constitute, to the extent applicable, the definition of each word or phrase which is derivative from it, or from which it is a derivative, as the case may be.

(b) Bingo means a game of chance in which prizes are awarded on the basis of designated number or symbols on a card which conform to numbers or symbols selected at random.

Sec. 5-32. License required.

An organization specified in Section 326.5 of the Penal Code is eligible to apply to the City for a license to conduct bingo games in the City. No person shall operate or participate in a bingo game except pursuant to such a license.

Sec. 5-33. Application for license. Issuance.

(a) An eligible organization desiring to conduct bingo game or games shall file an application in writing therewith with the City Clerk.

(b) Upon determination that the applicant is an eligible organization as described in Section 5-32, the City Clerk shall issue said license to said organization.

(c) The application shall be in a form and contain the information required by the City Clerk. The license shall be a form and contain the information required by the City Clerk.

(d) The license shall be effective for a period of five years from the date of issuance. The date of issuance shall appear on the license.

Sec. 5-34. Summary suspension of license.

(a) Whenever it appears to the City Clerk that the licensee is conducting a bingo game in violation of any of the provisions of law or this chapter, the City Clerk shall summarily suspend the license and order the licensee to immediately cease from conducting or operating any bingo game.

During the period of suspension, said license shall be null and void and no person shall conduct or attempt to conduct a bingo game thereunder.

(b) The order of suspension shall notify the licensee that it shall have five (5) days from the date of said suspension to request a hearing to determine whether such license

64A Campers, Travel Trailers for Sale

Beautiful 1975 VW camper. Super clean. 29,000 miles. Just take over payments. Call 734-3226.

Must sell 1977 Jamboree II motorhome. 17 1/2 foot sportsman chassis, dash air, am/8 track, sleepers 4, much more. Best offer over \$11,200. Call 733-1030.

'71 Sportster, 900 cc. \$1600. 925-7231.

Honda '55, 4 cyl. 6" over front end. Very clean. Must see to appreciate. Also, 11 x 18 rust plush carpet, \$75. 736-6606.

1969 Yamaha 305, new tires, voltage regulator and battery, 77 tag, \$250. Call 734-1288.

Honda 74, 350F, low mileage, excellent cond., fairing and extras. \$700. 733-3459.

'71 450cc Honda. Trunk & rack, eng. rebuilt 6 mos. ago. 2 helmets, riding gear, more. Call 733-1533. \$700.

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6:00 P.M.

10 — C B News

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10 — News

10 — Star Trek

10 — Gunsmoke

10 — Partridge Family

10 — Adam-12

10 — Zoom

10 — El Hijo De Angela Maria

10:30 P.M.

10 — The Inside Story

10 — News

11:00 P.M.

10 — News

10 — Love, American Style

10 — Celebrity Reveal

10 — Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman

10 — MOVIE: 'They Saved Hitler's Brain' Having given eternal life to the brain of their leader in the war two fantastical survivors of the Nazi holocaust kidnap an American scientist as part of their design to conquer the world. Walter Stocker, Audrey Claire. 1964

10 — Los Inconformes

11:30 P.M.

10 — Kojak 'Over the Water.' Kojak finds himself the object of a murder contract, and the source of a feud between a father and his son - both of whom he'd like to put behind bars. While off-duty, Kojak breaks up a barroom argument instigated by the son of a long-time foe of the law. Against his father's wishes, the young man puts out a contract on Kojak.

10 — MOVIE: 'Strange Homecoming' Hotel cat-burglar turned murderer, returns home for the first time in eighteen years to visit relatives who think of him as a hero. Robert Culp, Glen Campbell, Barbara Anderson, Leif Garrett, Tara Talbot, Whitney Blake. 1974

10 — Tonight Show Johnny Carson is the host with John Davidson as a scheduled guest.

10 — News

10 — MOVIE: 'The Lady Killers' A gang of mixed-up bank robbers are foiled when they run into the meddling of a sweet old lady. Alec Guinness, Peter Sellers, Herbert Lom, Cecil Parker, Katie Johnson. *** 1956

10 — Pellicula: 'Lagrimas De Sangre'

12:00 A.M.

10 — Best Of Groucho

10 — MOVIE: 'Crack-Up' An art museum curator battles an elusive murderous maniac, who is operating a forged art masterpiece racket. Pat O'Brien, Claire Trevor, Herbert Marshall. ** 1946

10 — MOVIE: 'The Juggler' Once-famous juggler arrives in Israel, a survivor of Hitler's concentration camps where his wife and two children perished. Kirk Douglas, Milly Vitale, Paul Stewart, Joey Walsh. ** 1953

12:30 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'The Hound of the Baskervilles' A curse on a noble English family descends to each man who inherits the Baskerville title. Sherlock Holmes is retained to solve the mysterious deaths before the next descendant is murdered. Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce. 1939

10 — MOVIE: 'Circle Of Deception' British intelligence agent captured by the Nazis finally breaks under torture and tells all he knows, but his information is false. Bradford Dillman, Suzy Parker, Harry Andrews. 1961

10 — MOVIE: 'Imitation Of Life' Lana Turner, John Gavin, Sandra Dee. Story of a young widow, her daughter, a kindly Negro woman and her light-tan daughter, covering their friendship and problems. 1959

1:45 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'You Gotta Stay Happy' Millionaire decides on wedding night that she married the wrong man, so she sets off on a merry chase with another. James Stewart, Joan Fontaine, Eddie Albert. 1948

2:00 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'Lucky Partners' Artist and a girl each own half of a winning sweepstakes ticket; from a story by Sacha Guitry. Ronald Colman and Ginger Rogers. 1940

2:45 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'Condemned' Depicts the horrors of Devil's Island. Ronald Colman, Ann Harding. ** 1930. 20634movie: 'tenth victim' International organization in the world-of-tomorrow in which homicide is legal is set up. Marcello Mastroianni, Ursula Andrus, Salvo Randone. *** 1965

3:00 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'David And Bathsheba' Dominant love between David and Bathsheba combined with all the drama, spectacle and religion of the period. Bringing of the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem as well as the fight between David and Goliath. Gregory Peck, Susan Hayward, Raymond Massey, Kieron Moore, Jayne Meadows, John Sutton, 1952

4:00 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'The Love Lottery' To settle his gambling debts, film star idol allows himself to be prize in love lottery-winner to give him in marriage. David Niven, Peggy Cummins, Anne Vernon, Herbert Lom. ** 1953

10 — MOVIE: 'Savage Wilderness' Two trappers, robbed of their catch, go to work as scouts for the army. Ruthless commander attacks the Indians and has his forces massacred despite the trapper's efforts. Victor Mature, Guy Madison, Robert Preston. 1956

4:30 A.M.

10 — MOVIE: 'Angel On The Amazon' Weird story of old woman who looks like young girl because of strange accident on the Amazon. George Brent, Vera Ralston, Constance Bennett. ** 1948

Last Minute Gift Suggestion That Could Save-the-Day For You!

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OPINIONS

The Record's aim is to present facts in its news columns and opinions in its editorial columns.

Let the buyer beware

Three consumer groups have filed a class action suite against the nation's largest toy manufacturer, Mattel, Inc., because they feel Mattel and its ad agency have hoodwinked children who know no better.

According to the suit, Mattel has fraudulently advertised toys and has used "extensive research to take advantage of the naivete, limited knowledge, undeveloped intellectual capacities and vivid imagination of children." Some \$16 million dollars are being asked by the Committee on Children's Television, the San Francisco Consumer Action Group, and the American G.I. Forum of California.

Innumerable times each morning, evening and weekend when children are most likely to be watching

television, ads which would fail to attract all but the most gullible of children are played ad nauseum, and at least to the point at which any sensitive person would normally become offended.

And because of that daily intrusion we have no problem in understanding why these three consumer groups feel the way they do about the ripoff aspects of some of the toys being advertised to our kiddies. Conversely, we think the old adage, let the buyer beware, has to apply in this case as it does in so many others.

As for the concern that children are being sold a bill of goods by high powered advertising agencies on Madison Avenue, we submit if that is the case then the pursestrings

in that family are being controlled by the wrong people, i.e. that the parent must be responsible for whatever is purchased for their children.

Certainly a child cannot be expected to withstand, let alone understand, the sophisticated approach to the selling of toys being taken by toy manufacturers today. Too many millions of dollars in sales depend on your child being able to convince you that this toy is of more relative value to them than is another just like it. If the parent doesn't take final responsibility for what is bought, then all the consumer groups and their class suits won't do a bit of good for the consumer, whether that consumer is eight or 80.

Washington Merry-Go-Round by Jack Anderson

A whale of a sale

WASHINGTON — Back in 1973, Richard Nixon exercised his presidential powers to sell off strategic metals from the national stockpile. It was a \$3 billion decision that benefited the industrial giants.

The sales came at a time when strategists were warning that the United States would run short of many vital minerals in another decade. The mineral producers, taking their cue from the oil potentates, were also forming cartels to jack up the prices.

Yet Nixon unloaded the taxpayers' valuable metals at bargain prices. His decision to reduce the strategic stockpile was accompanied by quiet pressure from the White House to sell the scarce minerals to Nixon's friends and contributors in the metals industry.

Among the corporations that wound up with the boodle were Alcoa, Bethlehem Steel, Englehardt Industries, General Electric, Kaiser Aluminum, Reynolds Metals, U.S. Steel and Westinghouse.

Meanwhile, the National Security Council has conducted a top-secret study to determine whether the stockpile has been reduced too low. The dismal conclusion is that Nixon made a huge mistake and that the stockpile levels must be raised.

We broke the news of the stockpile sales last April and offered to assist anyone in Congress who was interested in investigating the scandal. Sen. Lee Metcalf (D-Mont.) took us up on our offer. Working with the senator and his staff, we have dug out the details of a chrome sale that cost the taxpayers \$20 million.

The General Services Administration paid \$35.35 a ton for metallurgical chrome ore, which was set aside for an emergency in the Nye, Mont., stockpile. Chrome of similar quality was still selling around \$35 a ton when Nixon ordered the stockpile depleted.



The GSA, acting on Nixon's orders, sold 803,526 tons of the chrome ore to Metallurg, Inc., for an incredibly low average of \$7.64 a ton. The difference between the market price and the government price amounted to a whopping \$20 million.

All told, Nixon lowered the chrome requirements from 2.9 million tons to a mere 440,000 tons. But a few weeks ago, the requirements were quietly raised back to 2.5 million tons.

The price of metallurgical chrome, meanwhile, has soared on the world market. The GSA must now pay \$38 to \$46 a ton for the same quality chrome that was sold to Metallurg, Inc., for \$7.64 a ton less than three years ago.

Metallurg is an international consortium, which occupies a glittering, six-story, glass-and-metal building in New York City. The company is still moving its \$7.64-a-ton ore out of Nye.

We discovered that the bulk of this chrome is being delivered not to U.S. mills but to processing plants in the Scandinavian countries. Some of the finished chrome, meanwhile, has been sold back to U.S. companies at a fat profit.

Thus, the aggrieved Americans have been whipsawed three different ways. First, they lost \$20 million on the deal. Second, the ore they gave up was used to stimulate the Scandinavian, not the American economy. And third, they paid premium prices for the finished chrome, with most of the profits going overseas.

GSA spokesmen told us they were pleased with the chrome sale to Metallurg, even though it was more than \$27 a ton below the market price. They explained that the remoteness of the Nye stockpile and the cost of transporting the chrome drove the price down. Metallurg's offer, they said, was better than the other bids.

Footnote: Except for an insignificant \$500 contribution from Metallurg's chairman Herbert Grunfeld to the Nixon campaign in 1972, we could find no links between Nixon and the company. No one from Metallurg returned our calls.

SHADOWING THE SHADOWS — An evangelical Christian group will attempt to turn the tables on the foreign secret police who operate in this

country.

Secret agents from such countries as Chile, Iran and South Korea have been accused of hounding and harassing their enemies within the United States.

The Christian activists hope to identify the foreign operatives and to follow them day and night, possibly with placards. The plan is to engage in "non-violent shadowing"; there will be no interference with the foreign groups.

The group, which calls itself "liberty to the Captives," also plans to construct a scaffolding in front of the White House and pose a hooded man on it as a protest against U.S. aid to such torture-tolerating countries as Brazil, Chile, Indonesia, Iran, South Korea and Uruguay. This could be one of the first demonstrations that Jimmy Carter will see from his White House window.

SUGGESTION BOX — Michael Silverstein of Cambridge, Mass., proposes "simple and adequate tax incentives" on solar energy projects. His argument: "As greater use of solar energy is made for home and water heating, Americans will be freed from dependence on local utilities as well as from foreign suppliers."

Answer: Homeowners can now install their own solar heating systems for about \$2,000 in materials. A simple tax incentive, it's true, would encourage more people to try solar energy.

Twenty-two states have adopted tax incentive programs. But Congress is still dawdling.

(Send your suggestions to the NATIONAL SUGGESTION BOX, Box 2009, Washington, D.C., 20013.)

Graphs by Vaughn Proctor

Landscape maintenance

In recent months, the city planning commission work has been dominated by requests for home use permits and by requests for easing the regulations on fence construction. It's been slow in other words. There have been a few requests for subdivision of land for new construction and a few rezonings, but very little to arouse strong public sentiment. Even the animal control ordinance, once capable of attracting more than a handful of spectators, finally became a routine item.

Now comes an issue that has more promise. The Community Development Department has asked the Planning Commission to set a public hearing for a series of ordinance changes that includes landscaping, maintenance provisions. In department director Jack Lam's words, the provisions are an extension of the longstanding weed abatement program. This would pertain to multiple family or apartment developments and mainly commercial or planned developments.

Basis for the proposal is a study of a maintenance agreement procedure "whereby the property owner of any new development must enter into a legal agreement with the city assuring the city that the property's landscaping will be maintained to the specifications of the landscape plans and standards that have been approved by the city's architectural review board prior to construction."

Those are the words of Jack Lam, community development director. If the property owner fails to maintain the

landscaping according to the agreed upon specifications, the city could step in, perform such work and bill the property owner for the costs. If the owner fails to pay, the costs would be applied to the property as a lien.

A few years ago, the planning commission and to a great extent, then, city attorney James Longtin tried to promote a property nuisance ordinance that would have accomplished the same purposes as outlined by Lam in his report to the commission tonight.

In that far away instance, however, the commission got bogged down on definitions of what constituted an unkempt yard. One proponent argued that grass a foot deep in the front yard, was objectionable and should merit some public action to abate. Others disagreed, however, and that aspect of the proposed ordinance was thrown out.

Lam, himself has said the landscape maintenance idea could become a controversial subject. When pressed for some examples in other cities, he said there were a few in the state that had gone this route.

The proposal would be for new developments only. Existing developments presumably would be exempt.

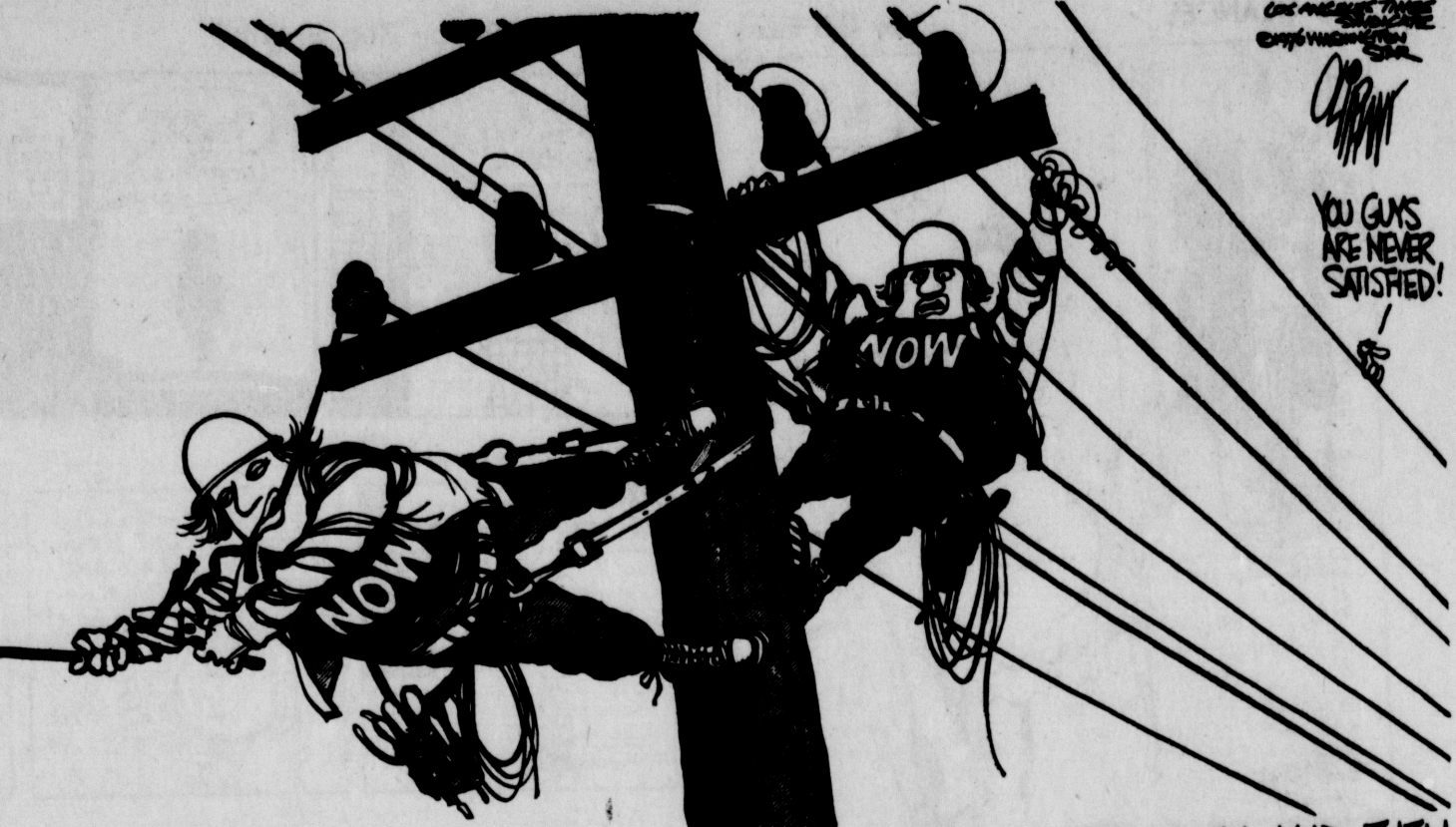
The theft of old court records from a makeshift storage area in the old county building and the partial destruction by fire, illustrates the severity of the congested conditions in Lompoc Municipal Court and its office. Readers may recall from news accounts that a box of the old records was taken from a partially enclosed cubicle and burned on the front steps of the building. Some of the records were later burned at a spot on Sweeney Road. Readers are probably aware that the supervisors have given a high priority to a new courtroom, a two-story affair to be built at the rear of the pre-

sent courtroom. It won't be a moment too soon.

Some time ago, a note in this column about the congested condition of the court was brought to the attention of county officials. One official told this reporter at the time, "I didn't know the court and its office were so crowded."

Well this item today will probably be carried to the proper authorities. In this case the urgency of the matter seems greater because we're now dealing with the safety of court records. The records have been described as dead storage, but, I say if they were important enough to save they were important enough to adequately protect.

The economic crunch may have doomed past practice of counting election ballots in Lompoc following an election. County elections chief Bob Kirkpatrick tells me his office will shift the counting to Santa Barbara for the March 8 school board election. The county is in the midst of negotiating a new contract with Cubic Corp. of San Diego for the machine counting of ballots and wants to keep the contract price down. It amounted to about \$35,000 the last fiscal year and is bound to rise, according to Kirkpatrick. Just for information, it costs an estimated \$1,150 for each ballot-counting machine and its installation, or about \$13,050 for the eleven machines which have been used in the north county. Added to that figure are costs of data transmitting phone hookups and salaries for counting center personnel. Those are paper figures, because the contract price would have had to be paid anyway. However, Kirkpatrick says Cubic bases its price on the work load which is expected. That's the reason for the shifting of the count to Santa Barbara. Only time will tell whether the shift is permanent.



THE PIGS HAVE FOOLED US AGAIN, ALICE — — THEY GAVE US EQUALITY AND THEN TOOK AWAY OUR PREGNANCY DISABILITY INSURANCE!

Washington calling by Marquis Childs

The next Republican chairman

WASHINGTON — Surveying the ruins of their party, the Republicans resemble the unhappy victims of some natural catastrophe. They climb out of the devastation to ask each other why it happened when, in fact, the answer was written large, long ago.

The competition, if it can be called that, is for a new national chairman following the resignation of Mary Louise Smith not long after President Ford's defeat. Short of a complete change of face, the new chairman will confront a body in which resuscitation, drawing on that flicker of life still remaining, will call for the arts of a Cagliostro and an open heart surgeon.

He, or she, had better have, too, some of the skills of a Houdini, in case a quick exit is necessary. Plainly, few can qualify and it is hardly surprising that thus far only one potential candidate has popped up.

Big John Connally of Texas, who modestly stops short of coming right out for the job, has never lacked for nerve. In fact nerve, that bull horn voice and the handsome facade have carried him a long way. As Secretary of the Treasury under President Nixon, he was largely instrumental in putting through with nine other western nations a monetary accord in 1971 which the President hailed at the end of the conference in Washington as "the conclusion of the most significant monetary agreement in the history of the world."

That world-shaking agreement lasted about a year and a half before it began to fall to pieces, with the old ills of the floating currencies once again to the fore. It was soon apparent that Connally had bullied the agreement through, leaving a heritage of anger and indignation among the foreign finance ministers and within the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

No one can doubt Connally's talents. He is above all a salesman, the kind of

salesman who once he gets his foot in the door cannot be denied. But this is not what the Republican party needs in this moment of dire anguish.

As a Republican convert, Connally's connection with the Nixon past is too close. He was indicted by the Watergate grand jury on two counts of bribery, two counts of perjury and one count of conspiracy. After a lengthy trial, he was acquitted of the bribery charges and the other three charges were dropped after his acquittal.

At the outset, it seems to this observer, there should be a team of diagnosticians; say a half-dozen men and women steeped in the political process whose sole interest would be to come up with a chart for the future. No obvious tag of liberal or conservative would fit them.

Some Republicans looking for a glimmer of cheer compare the present condition of their party with that of the Democrats after the disaster of 1972 when Sen. George McGovern carried Massachusetts and the District of Columbia. But there is no real parallel. The disaster for the GOP in November was not so much in the loss of the presidency, although that was a serious blow that might have been averted if Ford and his managers had not made one boner after another. The catastrophe was at the roots of power in Congress, the governorships and the state legislatures.

Of the 50 governors only 10 are Republicans and the 10 include only three important states. The top-heavy balance of Democrats in Senate and House remains the same, only the second time in history that a national election has not altered the standing of the two parties. In one legislature after another the Democrats now control both houses.

A new chairman who simply goes through the old familiar motions of appealing for money to party stalwarts and to unity from the moderate and liberal left to the conservative right will be wasting his, or her time not to mention the remaining breath of life in the Republic corpus.

It seems to me that the party's sickness goes deep and is owed to two basic failures. One is the conspicuous lack of any intellectual offering other

than the stale repetition of the cliches of the past. The other is the failure, with notable exceptions, to find able candidates willing to run the political course.

Too many Republicans feel that signing a check is the end all and be all of their responsibility.

I come from a background of at least two generations of devoted Republicans, my father and grandfather, when the party was dominant. It offered what the country felt was needed and bore with it the blessings of prosperity. That seems a very long time ago.

Letter to the editor

Dear Sir:

Last Sunday our daughter Diane reigned as queen of the Fiestas Guadalupanas, a day in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. She won the queen contest in which a total of five girls participated. It was, as most everyone who's been through one of these contests knows, a very busy period. Many people whom we know and some whom we didn't know joined in to help as much as they could. After all, there's always room for one more when it comes to having a bake sale or making tamales to sell.

On Diane's behalf, as well as ours, we wish to thank all who helped so much throughout the contest.

Pete and Sally Contreras

Rhyme time

SANTA CLAUS

With snow up his sleeve
And ice in his pocket
He's off Christmas eve
With the speed of a rocket.

He's a dream we conceive.
No chimney will block it.
There are those who believe
So why should we knock it?

—Eugene McAllister

Barbed barbs

Watching calories can be fun if they're being used to make an eye-catching woman walk by.

Our favorite winter forecast is: "Heavy snow — followed by small boys with sleds."

On a day when everything goes wrong, are you sure you tried to do at least one thing right?

Some people are educated, but only to a degree.

A born loser is a fellow who gets exclusive rights to reproduce yesterday's political speech.

I'm unbiased, you see both sides of a question, he can't take a firm stand on anything.

Your Representatives

U.S. Senator Alan Cranston (D)
4241 New Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C., 20515

U.S. Senator John Tunney (D)
525 Old Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C., 20510

Congressman Robert Lagomarsino (R)
1319 Longworth House Office Bldg.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C., 20515

State Senator Omer Rains (D)
State Capitol
Sacramento, Calif. 95814

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El Paseo
Santa Barbara
963-0634

State Assemblyman
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